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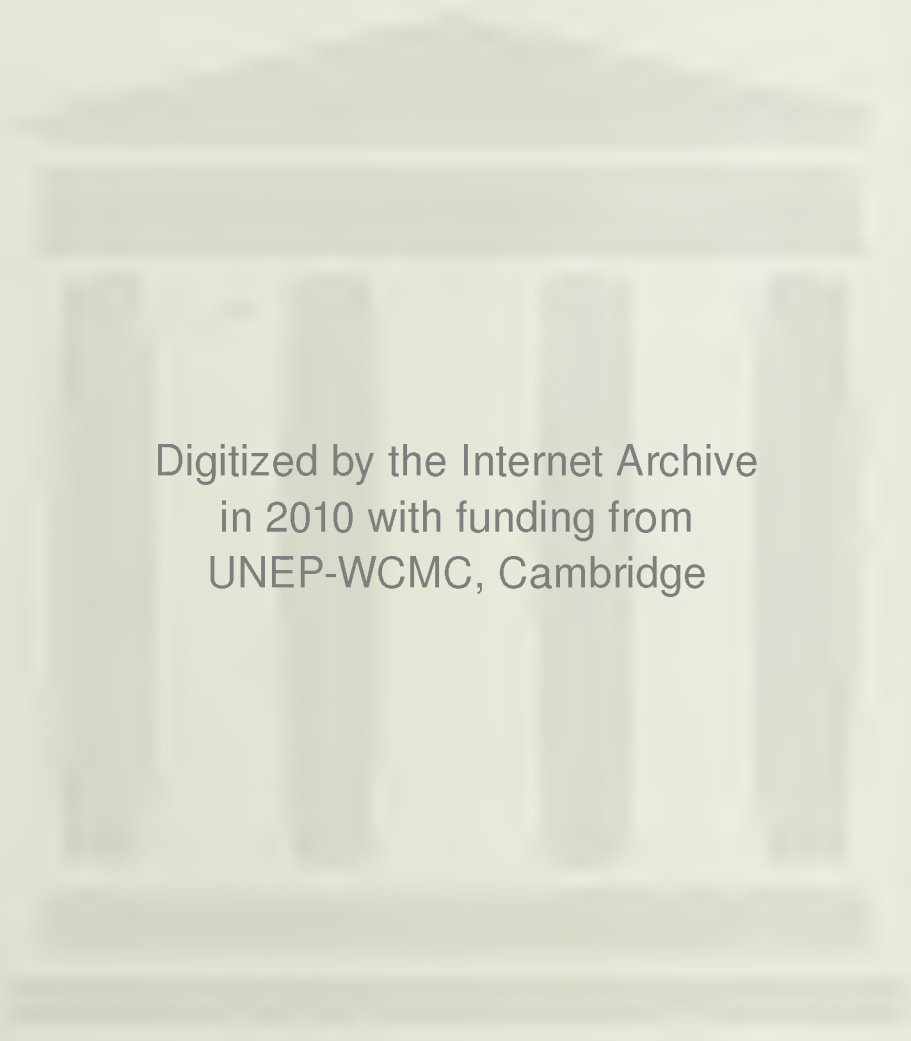
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1. PREFACE

This Report describes the results of a Corporate Contract between the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology (ITE), with additional financial support from the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO). The overall purpose of the work was to improve the consistency of the nomenclature used to record land use and land cover, particularly in the context of global applications. The study, the first stage of a planned longer-term programme of work, aimed to develop the prototype for a global reference framework for recording data on land cover and land use, as a basis for inter-conversion between specialist systems. The work was undertaken between 1994 and 1996 by staff of the ITE, in association with colleagues from the Institute for Aerospace Survey and Earth Sciences (ITC) and from the World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC), under the guidance of a Steering Group, made up of experts from the commissioning agencies and from other international bodies with an interest in the study objectives and applications. Membership of the Steering Group is listed at Annex 1.

2. INTRODUCTION

As the world population increases and peoples' economic aspirations grow, it becomes increasingly important to reconcile demands for more productive land uses with the need to protect the environment, biodiversity, and global climate systems. In the search to achieve this goal, information on land use and land cover, in the form of maps or statistics, has become a vital tool for research, planning, policy development, appraisal and implementation, in the fields of environment, agriculture, forestry and land resource management at local, national, regional and international levels. There is a particular need to monitor and model interactions between land use and environmental change in all these areas of application. Technological developments, including remote sensing and computer-based geographical information systems make it increasingly possible to map and monitor land use and land cover over wide areas and to deliver the basic information, but a number of technical and organisational factors restrict the uses to which this information can be put.

Notable among these is the lack of consistency in the way in which land use and land cover are recorded. At the present time, there is no agreement world-wide on precisely what constitutes land use or land cover, or on how to define them. As a result, many classification systems and innumerable map legends exist, and maps and statistics from different countries, and in many cases even from the same country, are incompatible with each other. The consequences of these differences have been graphically demonstrated, *inter alia*, by (Wyatt *et al.* 1994) and Defries and Townshend (1994). In Figure 1, we see striking differences between estimates of the global extent of important land cover categories from four independent surveys. These differences are in part due to differences in the land survey methods employed; however, differences in nomenclature, and in the precise way in which class boundaries are defined, may have equally far-reaching effects on quantitative results. Canopy cover is frequently specified as a key variable in determining the class to which forest land is assigned. Figure 2 demonstrates how changing canopy cover threshold condition influences the extent of land mapped as forest in Senegal.

Figure 1 Area estimates of 11 cover types from different global datasets

Figure 2 Dependence of mapped forest extent in Senegal on canopy cover threshold

It is self-evident that there are enormous benefits to be gained if all the groups currently working on the collection, management and utilisation of information on land use and land cover could collaborate and build on common principles. A common approach would maximise the deployment of limited funds and would help to ensure that the resulting information can be exploited as widely as possible. Conversely, separate approaches, which may result in incompatible data and statistics, as far as possible should be discouraged.

2.1. Background to this report

The recommendations presented in this Report are the result of a joint initiative between the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), aimed at developing just such a common approach to the description and classification of land use and land cover. The work came about as a result of a number of related activities undertaken between 1988 and 1994. Some of these activities are described in the following paragraphs.

2.1.1. FAO Initiatives

Within FAO, the Soil Resources, Management and Conservation Service has responsibility for land classification and land use planning. From about 1988, this group began to develop more objective methods for describing and classifying land use (internal documents, and Remmerzwaal 1989, Adamec 1992). In 1990, a land use information group was established, consisting of FAO, the Wageningen Agricultural University (WAU), the Wynand Staring Centre (SC-DLO) and the International Soil Reference and Information Centre (ISRIC), Wageningen, and the International Institute for Aerospace Survey and Earth Sciences (ITC), in Enschede, and FAO commissioned a study by ITC, WAU and SC-DLO to develop a format for the description of land use and a prototype land use database (Stomph and Fresco, 1991). Following completion by WAU, in 1992, of an initial study on Land Use Classification (Mücher, 1992), FAO then commissioned a study by ITC and WAU on classification of land use, which resulted in a proposal for a global land use classification (Mücher, Stomph, and Fresco 1993). From 1992 onwards the development of the database and the underlying concepts, were taken further by ITC and FAO and were tested in Botswana, Mozambique, and Swaziland in 1993. The resulting system is described in a Users' Reference Manual (de Bie *et al.*, 1996) and the database forms an important input to the work described in the present Report.

2.1.2. IGBP

Meanwhile, a number of similar activities were in train, driven by the needs of the global climate change research community and co-ordinated through the International Geosphere Biosphere Programme (IGBP). Most notable of these was an initiative, under the auspices of IGBP-DIS (Data and Information Systems), to compile a map of the world's land cover (DISCover, IGBP-DIS, 1996) at a resolution of 1km, using multi-temporal satellite remote sensing. Contacts were developed with this group to facilitate exchange of ideas and joint concept development, particularly in relation to land cover nomenclature and this Report builds extensively on these discussions.

2.1.3. Relevant Regional and National Programmes

Simultaneously, the AFRICOVER project was under development by various African governments, in partnership with FAO's Environment Information and Management Service (SDDR). The purpose of AFRICOVER is to prepare basic geographic information to support the information requirements for information on land cover of actual and future programmes on natural resources in African countries. In 1995, the AFRICOVER project established a Technical Working Group on Legend and Classification, responsible for developing the methodology for definition and classification of land cover units for the project, and for drawing up specifications for the database to be used. In the spring of 1996, results from the work described in the present Report formed an input into the design of the AFRICOVER classification, and the two projects have since become closely integrated (see Section 6).

In 1992, the UK Government responded to the need for greater harmonisation of national data and maps describing land use and land cover by commissioning ITE to undertake a study aimed at developing systematic procedures aimed at both qualitative and quantitative inter-comparisons between a number of classifications in use nationally and in Europe. An important output from this study, (Wyatt *et al.* 1994), was a computer-based system which allows equivalent categories in any two classifications to be identified by reference to a 'Baseline' or 'Reference' nomenclature. The UK study formed a useful prototype for the present Report.

2.1.4. UNEP

At this time, UNEP, through its Harmonisation of Environmental Measurement Programme and through more broadly-based programmes in collaboration with FAO, was working with other international agencies, including the World Conservation Monitoring Centre (WCMC) and the IGBP Global Change in Terrestrial Ecosystems (GCTE) programme to promote greater consistency in approaches to the classification of land and vegetation (UNEP-HEM, 1993). In 1993, UNEP provided funds for a survey of existing land use and land cover classification methods (Young 1993). When this was discussed at a joint UNEP/FAO expert consultation in Geneva in November 1993, it became clear that the goal of a single global classification was unrealistic. Instead it was agreed to initiate a dialogue with groups and institutions who were active in the field, in order to jointly develop a common approach, and at the same time to initiate a project to further develop an improved method for systematically recording land use and land cover, and for inter-relating existing nomenclatures. The first of these activities was developed through a network of individuals and institutions, using air- and Email. The second is the subject of this Report.

2.2. Objectives of the Study

The overall objective of this study is to develop an approach which will support the production of uniform statistics at global level and at the same time provide a detailed, quantitative, and eventually georeferenced basis for land use and cover modelling and analysis at field level. This implies a methodology which extends from top to bottom in the vertical sense (i.e. it should be applicable at any scale) and which is comprehensive in the horizontal sense (i.e. any identified land cover or land use anywhere in the world can be readily accommodated).

This broad objective has been addressed at a number of levels, each of which was planned to generate different outputs.

2.2.1. Generic data model

At the most generic level, it was necessary to develop a conceptual framework which encompassed the above objectives of scale-independence and general applicability. The intended output from this activity was a generalised data model, which could be exploited in a wide variety of database applications for the management of land information.

2.2.2. Glossaries

A second objective was to develop the glossaries of pre-defined terms needed to describe land types or classes in terms of their functional attributes. These attributes include land use properties, such as management operations, inputs, outputs and a systematic and the land cover characteristics required by the above data model. These glossaries were intended to be more than structured lists of terms and were designed to include unambiguous definitions and, where appropriate, quantitative specifications of boundary conditions.

2.2.3. Inter-comparison of existing classifications

Methods were required to allow any existing classification to be equated, or correlated with any other. This demanded, firstly, the ability to record land classes in terms of the above data structure, using terms and categories from the glossaries, and, secondly, the development of a set of rules and software to facilitate the description, entry and storage of land use or cover types and the process of translation between them.

2.2.4. Reference classifications

Although the concept of a single standard for land classification is not likely to be realisable, guidelines for the development of future systems and for the avoidance of past inconsistencies in classification would be generally welcomed. One of the objectives of this study was therefore to develop classifications of land use and land cover which would serve the function of a reference system that would be adaptable for specific applications in a wide range of applications and in diverse geographical settings.

2.2.5. Database design

It was intended that the data model (Objective 1) could be exploited in the design of land use and land cover databases to store raw field data resulting from ground surveys, or the output from interpretation of remotely sensed data

2.3. Methodological approach

2.3.1. Harmonisation vs Standardisation

One solution to the problems arising from inconsistencies in classification and nomenclature might be the universal adoption of a single standard basis for land use and land cover classification. However, even if this were desirable, it could not be achieved in the short or medium term, because of the heavy financial and intellectual investment in established methods and databases by existing users. Furthermore, it is probable that there will always be a need for specialised classifications for particular purposes.

A more acceptable solution would take the form of a system that allowed individual countries and institutions to continue to use existing data systems and nomenclatures,

and which, at the same time, permitted the separate datasets to be combined much more easily than at present, preferably with minimal effort on behalf of the data originators and without significant information loss. This approach, based on *a posteriori* inter-comparison of information collected or organised using different extant classifications, was applied successfully to British and European land use and land cover classifications in the earlier UK study (Wyatt *et al.*, 1994) and similar methods have been used in the present study.

2.3.2. The rôle of a reference system for inter-comparison of land classes

Given unique and unambiguous definitions of what comprises a particular land use or land cover class, it is perfectly possible to compare directly two or more classes and to estimate class overlap, at least quantitatively. Problems arise a) when definitions are imprecise, ambiguous or absent (this is a disconcertingly frequent occurrence) and b) when many different classification schemes are involved, and the number of pair-wise comparisons becomes excessive. Little can be achieved by anyone, other than the designers of the systems concerned, to deal with the first problem.

To solve the second difficulty - the number and complexity of comparisons necessary to reconcile land information across a large number of different sources - a common reference system is needed, with which to represent any *a priori* classification. Correspondence between terms in the classifications of interest may then be inferred from the explicit record of how each relates to the reference system. This would require translation into the reference system just once, and would obviate the need for pair-wise comparisons between every classification of interest.

If it is to be effective, such a reference system must be logically consistent and able to accommodate a diversity of different perceptions of the land surface. Because it must be widely applicable, the reference system would be well-suited to form the basis for a generally-acceptable **classification**, which could be promoted as a future standard. For the same reason, it would also provide a sound basis as a data model for use in the databases needed to manage information on land use, land cover and other land attributes.

The present Report describes the development and structure of such a reference system for land information and explores two of these areas of application, *viz.*:

- i) inter-comparison of existing (*'a priori'*) classifications;
- ii) development of standard reference classifications of land use and land cover.

2.3.3. Parametric approach to the description of land

Classification has been defined (Sokal, 1974) as the ordering or arrangement of objects into groups or sets on the basis of their relationships. Conventional approaches to classification, especially when these involve hierarchical subdivision, can lead to logical problems in class assignments. For example, if a land cover class 'Forest' is initially subdivided by the phenology of its constituent trees into 'Deciduous' and 'Evergreen' subclasses, the dichotomy between 'Broad-leaved' and 'Needle-leaved' forest can be introduced into this structure only by repetition (Figure 3).

Figure 3 Multiple classification dimensions within a dichotomous hierarchy

FOREST	
Deciduous Forest	
Broad-leaved Deciduous Forest	
Needle-leaved Deciduous Forest	
Evergreen Forest	
Broad-leaved Evergreen Forest	
Needle-leaved Evergreen Forest	

This rapidly becomes unmanageable, as additional facets are introduced: for example, further subdivision in terms of bioclimate (e.g. ‘Cold Deciduous’ vs ‘Wet Deciduous’) or species composition.

An alternative, and much more flexible approach, is to represent individual classes within land classification systems in terms of their functional attributes - a finite number of parameters, chosen to record, for example, aspects of land use, the nature of the surface cover or other environmental conditions. A data model of this form can then be used to represent categories in an *a priori* classification system, to describe a physical land unit or to record information about a land parcel in a database.

Using this model, the land class (or land unit, or data record) is represented **parametrically** by a logical association of keywords or values which describe its distinguishing attributes. Figure 4 illustrates how this approach is used in the ITC Land Use database (de Bie *et al.*, 1996) to characterise land used for the cultivation of root crops.

Figure 4 Parametric description of land used for the cultivation of root crops

ROOT CROPS	
Species/Service:	Root/tuber plants
Product/Benefit:	Plant produce, tubers
Land Use Operations	
Crop Production:	Temporary (arable) cropping
Livestock Production:	None
Extraction/Collection/Grazing:	None
Settlement/Industry/Commerce:	None
Recreation/Tourism:	None

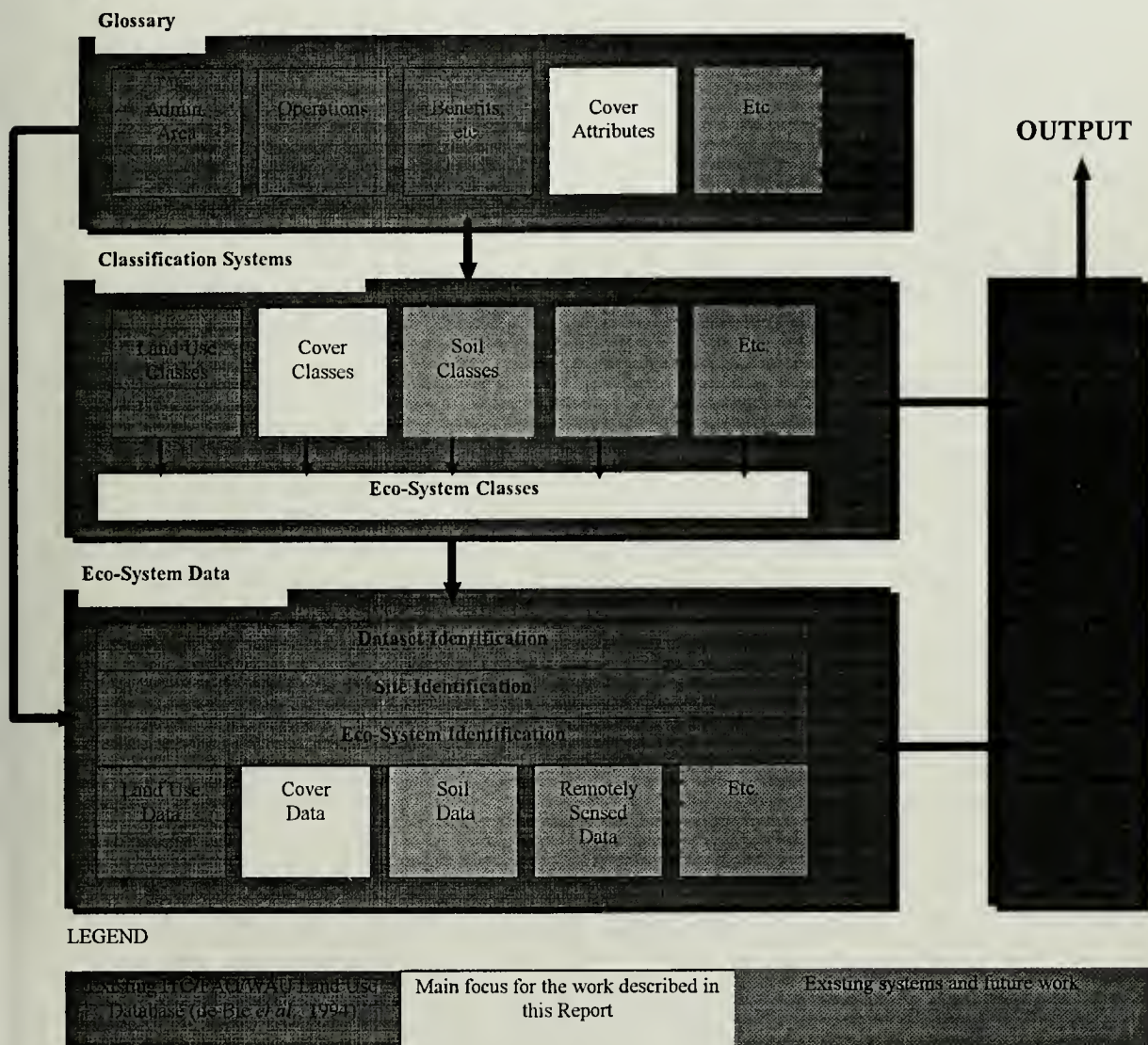
(Species/Service = Root/tuber plants) AND (Product/Benefit = Plant produce, tubers)
AND (Crop Production = Temporary(arable) cropping) AND (Livestock Production = None)
AND (Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None) AND
(Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None) AND (Recreation/Tourism = None)

Inter-comparison of land classes recorded in this way is then achieved by intersection of logical expressions such as the example given in Figure 4.

2.3.4. A modular data model for land information

Land classifications commonly mix concepts of land cover, use and other environmental land attributes such as soil type or climatic zone. This often leads to ambiguity and confusion. In the present study, we have designed a modular data model, in which we establish a clear distinction between attributes of land usage, land cover and other contextual properties that may be necessary to describe physical land units. The distinction between land use and land cover is explained more fully in the following section of the Report. The additional contextual attributes needed include soil type, climate, topography, hydrology and other facets of the environment in which the land unit occurs.

Figure 5 Modular model for land information



The structure of the data model is shown schematically in Figure 5. The existing ITC Land Use Database provides the framework for recording land **use**, and the work described in this Report focuses principally on land **cover**. For many of the remaining modules needed, terminologies exist which are widely recognised as authoritative. For example, the FAO soil classification (Food and Agriculture Organisation, 1990) provides an internationally-recognised framework for the description of the world's soil types. It is envisaged that the complete implementation of this data model would build on such established practice, rather than attempt to develop new concepts and notations *ab initio*.

2.4. Key definitions and concepts

Differences in present methods of land classification are central to this study. any of these differences can be ascribed to the absence of commonly-agreed concepts and terminologies or to the failure of users to conform to those standards which do exist. It therefore follows that, if the aims of the study are to be realised, then the principles adopted must be clearly articulated and unambiguously defined.

2.4.1. Classification

We have already defined **classification** as '*the ordering or arrangement of objects into groups or sets on the basis of their relationships*' (Sokal, 1974). Classification necessarily involves definition of class boundaries. These should be clear, precise, where possible quantitative, and based upon objective criteria, so that the outcome would be the same whoever the user.

The result of the classification activity is a **classification system**. A classification system comprises a logical framework, holding the names of the classes, the criteria used to distinguish them and the relationships between classes. Classification systems may or may not be hierarchical, but hierarchies which descend from a small number of generalised categories at the higher level to a large number of more detailed categories at the lower levels are commonly used, especially where the classification is intended to be applied at a range of scales.

According to Sokal, the term 'classification' is also commonly misused for what is better termed **identification**: this is the process of assigning additional new unidentified objects to the correct class. The development of a classification system for plant communities such as the British National Vegetation Classification (Rodwell, 1991) is an example of classification. The assignment of a plant community name to a vegetation record according to British National Vegetation Classification is called identification.

2.4.2. Legends

Legends are often confused with classifications, but there are crucial differences. Strictly, a **legend** is the application of a classification for a particular purpose, for example, for thematic mapping. Whereas a classification should recognise the entire universe of sets that make up its subject matter, a legend may contain only a proportion, or sub-set, of the classes in the classification from which it is derived. Some classes may be omitted; others may be combined into composite categories. As with the classification from which it is derived, the items in a legend should be defined; for example, a map legend should contain as much helpful information as possible, in order to assist the user to understand and visualise the reality which is being depicted.

In reality, the practice often falls well short of this ideal. Often, legends are simply a list of the features (e.g. plant species) which are common in a particular mapped unit. There may then be no parent classification, and the items in the legend may have no relationship in terms of type or scale of detail (for example Forest [multi-species cover], Vineyard [single species cover], and Horticulture [use class], in the same legend). It is often difficult or impossible to compare maps of this type in a quantitatively meaningful way.

2.4.3. Land

Although there is no internationally agreed definition of "Land", there is a widely-accepted convention (e.g. Food and Agriculture Organisation, 1994) that the term refers not just to the solid surface of the Earth, but to all the natural resources that form the basis for land use, including climate, water resources (above and below the surface), vegetation and fauna. We have adopted this definition in this study. Included in the definition are water bodies, both inland and marine

2.4.4. Land use and land cover

Central to the subject matter of all land information systems are the concepts of **land use** and **land cover**. The distinction between them is fundamental, but, in practice, this distinction is all too often ignored, leading to confusion and ambiguity in many existing and previous classifications. Two examples serve to illustrate the difference between land cover and land use. The land **cover** 'Forest' is distinguished by characteristics of its physical components, such as vertical vegetation structure, vegetation height and density. Conversely, the land **use** 'Forest' is characterized by the purpose(s) to which the land is put, for example, 'Rubber tapping', 'Conservation of biodiversity', 'Recreation', 'Timber production', 'Shifting cultivation', etc. Similarly, the land **cover** 'Grassland' is distinguished by the presence, or dominance of herbaceous vegetation ('grass'), while the land **use** might be 'Hay production', 'Grazing', 'Recreation' or 'Not used'.

From these examples, it follows that land **cover** may be determined by direct observation, whereas information on land **use** requires a statement of purpose from the person who controls or carries out the land use. Remotely sensed data, e.g. from aerial photographs or satellite images, can be used to map land cover, for example, by identifying multi-spectral signatures characteristic of land cover types. Land use, in turn, may be correlated with actual land cover, so that land cover may be employed as a means of inferring land use.

2.4.4.1. *Land use* is a description of **function**, the purpose for which the land is being used. Definitions which have been proposed include "*the management of land to meet human needs*", and "*human activities which are directly related to the land*" (Young, 1994). It is helpful to regard a land use as a series of activities undertaken to produce one or more goods or services. The concept has proved to be a robust one, and has withstood the test of time. Building on these ideas, the Land Use Database developed by ITC, FAO and WAU (de Bie et al., 1996), adopted the following definition of land use:

"A series of operations on land, carried out by humans, with the intention to obtain products and/or benefits through using land resources."

If we adopt this definition, land use types can be described in terms of a series of

activities and their associated inputs and outputs. For example, the agricultural land use “Wheat field” is defined by the series of activities undertaken on specific dates to produce a crop of wheat (the output), together with the inputs required to carry out each activity. A given land use may take place on one, or more than one piece of land, and several land uses may occur on the same piece of land. Definition of a land use in this way provides very precise distinctions between land uses, and may even be used as the basis for analysis of economic and environmental impacts.

2.4.4.2. *Land cover* is the observed physical cover, as seen on the ground or through remote sensing at a given location and time. This includes the soil surface, vegetation (natural or planted) and human constructions (buildings, etc.) which cover the earth's surface. Water, ice, bare rock or sand, and salt flats or similar un-vegetated surfaces also comprise land cover.

Whereas there is an established conceptual model for describing land use, to our knowledge, no comparable schema exist for describing land cover in a similarly structured way. For this reason, this was the principal objective of the study described in this Report.

3. PRINCIPLES UNDERLYING THE DEFINITION AND CLASSIFICATION OF LAND UNITS

In Section 2.3, we demonstrated the need for a systematic approach to the description and classification of land use and land cover which clearly distinguishes these two concepts. Many extant classifications, maps and information systems lack this intellectual rigour. It is common to mix concepts of land cover and land use; indeed, these facets are often inextricably linked with other environmental attributes, such as soil type, climate, bio-geographical zone, altitude or topography. In other words, classification systems which purport to address land use or land cover, often, in reality, describe more general land systems, or *ecosystems*, of which land use and land cover are specific aspects.

Although it is a legitimate objective to classify such composite land ecosystems, it is important that they are not ~~be~~ confused with pure land use or land cover classes in the process. To avoid this confusion, we propose a data model which distinguishes the different categories of environmental classifiers required (see Figure 5). Within each module of the model, there are three distinct domains: the classification level, the domain of terminology (the glossaries) and the database itself.

3.1. Land classifiers

Classification of land must be based on well defined diagnostic criteria. We refer to these criteria as **classifiers**. One or more classifiers, in combination, define a **land class**, when each classifier represents a distinguishing characteristic or **attribute**.

We define a **land attribute** as:

"A property of land, that can be measured or estimated, and that is used to distinguish land units from each other. (Fresco et al., 1994)"

In our modular design, the sub-systems (land use, land cover, environment....) are structurally and functionally different. Different classifiers are therefore needed to describe each sub-system. Land use classifiers include those which define purpose, or the operations carried out to achieve the stated objectives. Land cover classifiers define the characteristics (composition, size, extent, density, etc.) of the objects, such as vegetation, water, rocks, soil or built features, that contribute to the cover. These concepts are explored separately for land use and land cover in following sections.

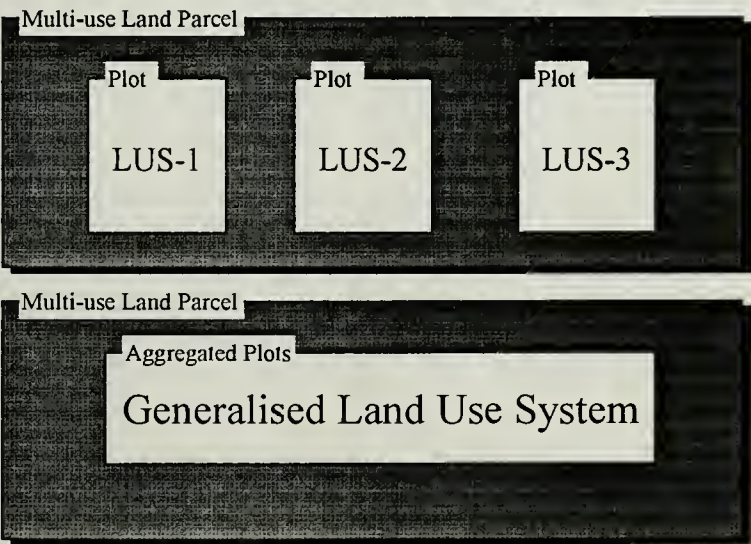
3.2. Issues of Space and Time

In both land use and land cover a time element is involved. Land use may change over time, either cyclically (e.g. crop rotational systems) or irreversibly (e.g. deforestation for agricultural land use). Land cover may change seasonally (e.g. fields may be bare or crop-covered, depending on time of year).

In the case of land cover, especially, spatial scale becomes an important issue, since the scale of heterogeneity of land cover may be smaller than the resolving power of the survey method used. For example, in many examples where trees and grass are intermixed, individual patches of the separate components may be indistinguishable from current space-based remote sensing data. Differences in the vertical dimension, particularly in forest canopies, may also be significant.

We strongly adocate the principle that both land use and land cover should be independent of time and space - in other words, that they should represent land use (or land cover) at a point in time and at a specific location. The design of the classifiers should always respect this principle.

**Figure 9 a) Grouping of Land Use System Descriptions.
 b) Generalised Land Use System Description at Smaller Scale.**



However, there will be occasions where it is useful or necessary to specify **land classes** which describe large spatial units (e.g. an administrative area) or extensive periods of time (e.g. a complete year). The same principle applies in both cases, though the spatial problem is easier to visualise than the temporal one. There are two possibilities:

3.2.1. Grouping of land descriptions

Descriptions can be grouped, e.g. by map unit, holding, region, time period, etc., by references to units identified at finer spatial or temporal scales. For example, if land use information is collected for several plots in a parcel, the land use descriptions of all the individual plots may then be grouped by parcel (Figure 9a).

3.2.2. Generalised description of land systems

Alternatively, the hierarchical structure of the glossaries (see Section 3.3 below) makes it possible to generate a single generalised description of a number of different plot-specific land systems, in terms of their common properties. That description is then in general terms and is valid for all locations or time periods involved (aggregated plots; Figure 9b).

3.3. **Glossaries**

In database applications, land classifiers are assigned qualitative or quantitative values. Examples of this might be:

*Cover: Dominant, Height > 2m, Species/Service: Plants by use, cereals,
Product/Benefit: Grain (cereals).*

It is clearly necessary to control and to define the terminology used to define these values in order to ensure consistent description and storage of land information. This is achieved through the use of a glossary of standard nomenclature. The Land Use Database developed by ITC (de Bie *et al.*, 1996), incorporates an extensive glossary, covering terminology needed to define land use classifiers. In the present study, we have extended the structure and content of this glossary to include the terms needed to describe land cover. The glossary has also been expanded to cover other environmental classifiers, including climate, geology, geomorphology, soil and land history.

Although these glossaries now contain a large number of terms, they are still far from complete, nor is it possible for one group of users to cover every single possible requirement for land terminology. The intention is that the present glossaries should provide a basic structure on which to build and expand in response to new applications and requirements. In other words, the glossaries are tools for controlling nomenclature that are flexible in the sense that they may be adapted according to the needs of the individual user.

In updating the glossaries, items may be added, edited, moved, documented and deleted. When adding items to the glossary, certain 'rules' must be taken into account. Items at one level of a glossary tree must be mutually exclusive, i.e. they must not overlap. For example, the item "plant produce" and "seeds" must not be at the same level. The second rule is that the contents of different glossary trees must be mutually independent.

3.4. **Land Classification Systems**

Definitions of land classes may be arranged to form a **land classification system**. This is formally defined as:

"A structured collection of land class definitions."

Most land classification systems are hierarchically structured, and all should be based on two rules:

- At each level the defined land classes must be mutually exclusive.
- Classes at a lower level must be a further specification of a class at a higher level.

The second feature states that lower level classes are logical sub-divisions, which implies that classifiers used at one particular level are always valid for classes at a lower level. For example, if a classifier of a high level class states that a product is 'vegetative', the product of underlying classes must be 'vegetative' too, or a further specification of this, e.g. tubers, leaves, etc. It cannot change into an animal product or an immaterial/intangible benefit.

3.5. *A priori* versus *A posteriori* Classification

Land use classification can be *a priori* or *a posteriori*.

In *a-priori* classification, land use classes are prepared **before** the actual collection of data. Consequently, the classifiers are not based on collected land use information. This approach is generally used in circumstances where it is required to accommodate information within an existing framework. The main advantage of *a-priori* systems is that classes can be made to conform to the standards of well-known national or international land classification systems.

A-posteriori systems are based on classifiers defined after analysis of the collected data. The advantage of this method is that classifiers can be defined that meet the study objectives. If several study objectives are formulated, several *a-posteriori* classification systems may be prepared. Since the different classes are generated by manipulating the same set of classifiers, data can be transformed between classifications at will.

3.6. Inter-comparison of Classification Systems

There have been many attempts to develop a universal land classification; the first one known to the authors was published in 1949 (IGU), and the last in 1994 (UNEP/FAO). The present study focuses on the standardization of land **classifiers**, rather than on the development of a single standard **classification**. This provides the means of translating between *a priori* land classification systems. Each classification is described in terms of a common set of classifiers (of land use, land cover and environment) and correspondence between classification systems is established by looking for matches between the classifiers assigned to the different *a priori* classifications.

This descriptive exercise generated a considerable database containing descriptions of current land classifications in terms of a standard set of classifiers. From this database, it was possible to identify commonly-used classes and concepts and, from these, to develop an *a posteriori* classification, suitable for use as a future reference. We

undertook this task separately for land use and for land cover.

4. THE LAND USE - LAND COVER DATABASE

The central theme of this project was the design of a general-purpose database for land information. The focus was on:

- i) the development of a consistent set of classifiers and associated glossaries to permit the systematic description of a range of land attributes, including land use, land cover and various environmental classifiers;
- ii) developing a data model to implement this conceptual framework within a relational database;
- iii) generation of consistent and comparable descriptions of *a priori* (extant) land classifications, in the form of database entries;
- iv) demonstrating and testing the feasibility of inter-comparing these *a priori* classifications by matching these database records;
- v) building prototype reference classifications of land use and land cover, drawing on current practice and on the same conceptual principles that underpin the database design.

Although the immediate purpose in developing this database was to facilitate the inter-comparison of *a priori* land classifications, the same software is also intended for the entry, storage, management and analysis of information on land use (for example, collected from questionnaire survey or interview) or on land cover (for example, collected from field survey or remote sensing). The database is an evolution of the Land Use Database, developed for FAO using a relational model by ITC (de Bie, 1996). The land use data entry modules are complete and fully tested, while those for land cover presently exist only as design specifications, since it was never intended to acquire actual data on land cover as part of this study. However, ongoing discussions with the AFRICOVER Project Team are intended to lead to complete implementation of the land cover aspects of the database design, in a form that is appropriate to handle data from the AFRICOVER programme.

4.1. Data Model

The land use and the land cover modules of the database utilize a similar data model containing two groups of relational database files. The first group, comprising the **Land Data Files**, contains primary or secondary information, collected, for example, from surveys of land use, from field survey or from remote sensing. The second group, **Land Classes**, contains information on *a-priori* classes, including the class names, their hierarchical relationship (if any) within the classification and the classifiers used to define the classes. A third database consists of a single file and is referred to as the **Glossary**. It contains parameter values used in the Land Data Files and Land Classes. All three databases are linked to each other. The file structure of the databases in the land use module, and their internal and external links is shown in Figure 10.

4.2. The Land Use Data Model

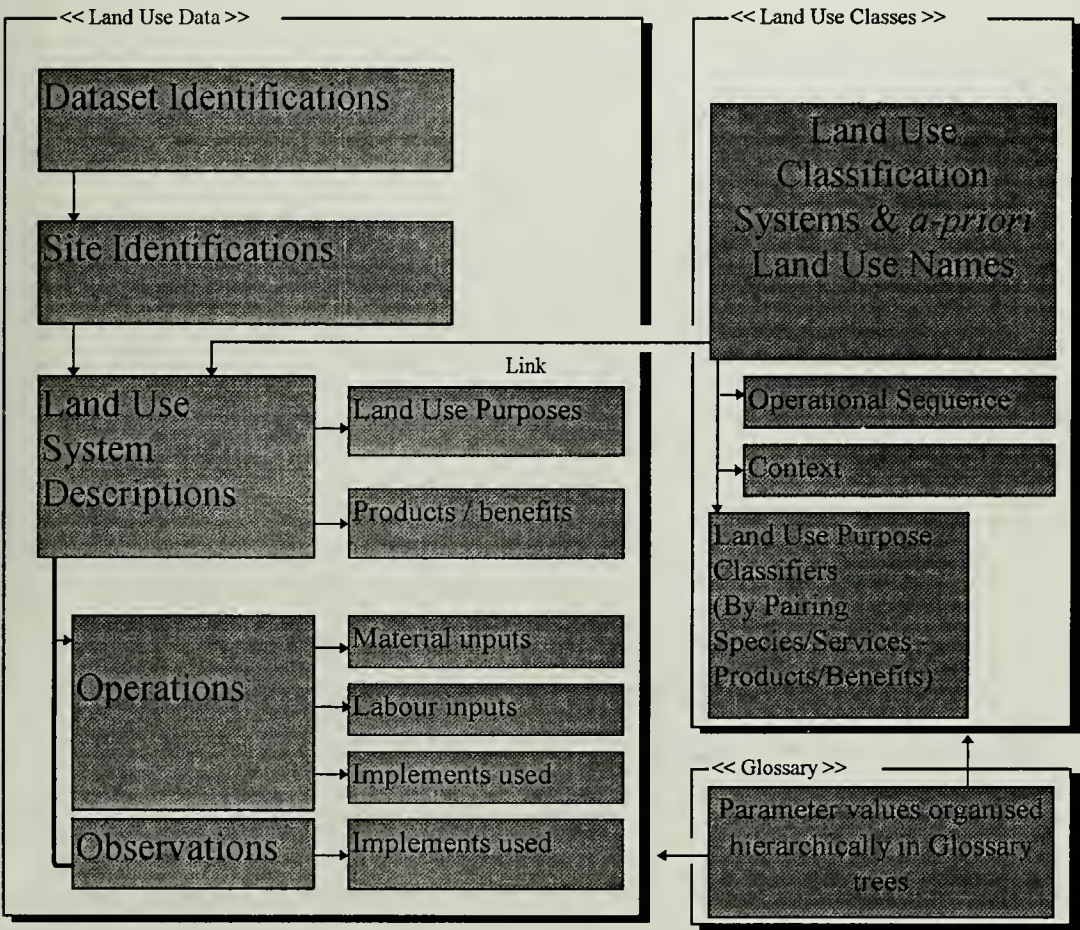
This is described in much greater detail in de Bie et al. (1996).

The Land Use Database employs three types of classifiers to identify **land use data** or to define **land use classes** (Figure 10):

i) Land Use Systems are characterized by *Purpose classifiers*, which describe the material outputs (Products) or the intangible results (Benefits) from a land use system. Purpose classifiers consist of paired combinations of terms describing the [Species/Service Product/Benefit] combinations aimed at. Examples could include grains from maize or straw from wheat (tangible products), shade provided by trees, soil protection by cover crops, pleasure by recreation, or bio-diversity conservation through protection (intangible benefits). For each land use class at least one combination must be specified.

ii) *Operation sequence classifiers* specify the operations that lead to an intended product. For example, cereal crop production might involve the sequence ‘Ploughing, Seeding, Weeding, Application of fertilizer, Harvesting, Fallow’.

Figure 10 Data Model of the Land Use Database.
Each block represents one database file; links between the Glossary File and other files are not depicted.



iii) *Context classifiers* specify the circumstances of a land use system. They are not an inherent part of the purpose or operation sequence. It is basically incorrect to use context aspects as classifiers. They are included in The Land Use Database as a compromise because they are frequently used in existing classification systems. Context classifiers can be grouped into three types:

- Origins of inputs / implements and destinations of outputs. This type of classifier is useful when a classification system includes "market orientation".
- Tenancy arrangements.
- Others, referring, for instance, to 'capital intensity', 'holder attitude', and 'goals of holder'.

4.3. Land Cover Notation

As indicated above, land use can be defined on the basis of inputs, products and activities. In the case of land cover, no such underlying common principle has previously been identified. Land cover has been defined in the past, using a mixture of different types of characteristics. Frequently cover has been divided into Vegetated land, Bare ground or Water, and Built-on Land. Vegetation is often defined on the basis of structure or species, whereas man-made constructions are often differentiated on the basis of purpose.

4.3.1. Land Cover Attributes

Land cover is described by observations or measurements of characteristics made either on the total set or on a specified sub-set(s) of land-cover features at a given site at a given moment. As we have indicated earlier (Section 2.4.4.2), these features include the soil surface, water, bare rock or sand, vegetation and man-made surfaces and constructions.

We have developed a land-cover notation, founded on the assumption that it is possible to describe any type of land cover by specifying i) constituent feature sub-sets and ii) observed or measured characteristics of those sub-sets. For example, a description of the land cover 'Shrub Savannah' might identify the sub-sets 'Shrubs' and 'Herbaceous Vegetation'. Associated with each, there might be observations of proportional canopy cover, or mean canopy height. Together, the identity of the sub-set and the associated measurement (e.g. 'Tree crown' + 'Diameter') constitute a distinguishing characteristic, or **attribute** of a site or of a land cover class.

The notation must accommodate both qualitative and quantitative variables (e.g. 'Canopy cover: dense', '10%<Canopy cover<50%'). In the case of quantitative values, the unit of measurement must be specified.

4.3.2. Types of sub-set

Land cover may sometimes be described by observations or measurements for the whole set of features at a site. An example of this might be the measurement of total biomass. More frequently however, it is characterised by observations on a number of sub-sets of land cover features. These sub-sets may be defined in two ways:

- i) sub-sets of land-cover features, whose members are structurally-, morphologically- or taxonomically-related entities. For example, a sub-set of all objects called 'Trees', or of all objects belonging to the species *Erica tetralix*.
- ii) sub-sets identified on the basis of their location within a sub-space of the complete site, defined in terms of x-, y- and z- co-ordinates. Sub-sets in the z-dimension are frequently used to segment the vertical structure of vegetation. For example the description of vertical vegetation structure (physiognomy) is based on estimates of plant cover in a number of layers. Spatial segmentation in the x, y domain is less common.

Sub-sets may be defined at various levels of aggregation. The sub-set *Erica tetralix* includes the objects belonging to this species. The non-taxonomic sub-set 'Dwarf shrubs' or the taxonomic sub-set *Ericaceae* represent higher levels of aggregation, inclusive of other species. Still higher aggregation levels like dicotyledons (taxonomic) or woody species (non-taxonomic) allows membership of the sub-set to be further expanded.

Some classification systems define sub-sets using both spatial criteria and by objects. For instance, classification systems for vertical vegetation structure specify the presence of different life forms (e.g. woody *versus* non-woody species), in different canopy layers (z-dimension). Our land cover notation has been designed to allow sub-sets to be defined in terms of just such hybrid criteria.

4.3.3. Mixed Land Cover Types

Note that the notation imposes a parametric approach to the description of land cover classes. Sites, (or land units) are described in terms of the presence of a number of sub-sets of land-cover features. If the land cover is homogeneous, there may be only one sub-set; if the cover is mixed, then all significant sub-sets should be recorded.

When the land-cover features are randomly dispersed within the site, sub-set descriptions are valid for the whole site and it can be treated as a single land-cover type. However, the distribution of objects often shows a recognisable spatial pattern. In this case, which we refer to as 'Pattern Stratification', the site consists of more than one cover type. The land cover database been designed to allow the storage of data from sites which exhibit pattern stratification. This is achieved by defining cover types as percentages of the whole site area and by noting the observations / measurements for each cover type independently.

4.3.4. Measurements on part of the sub-set

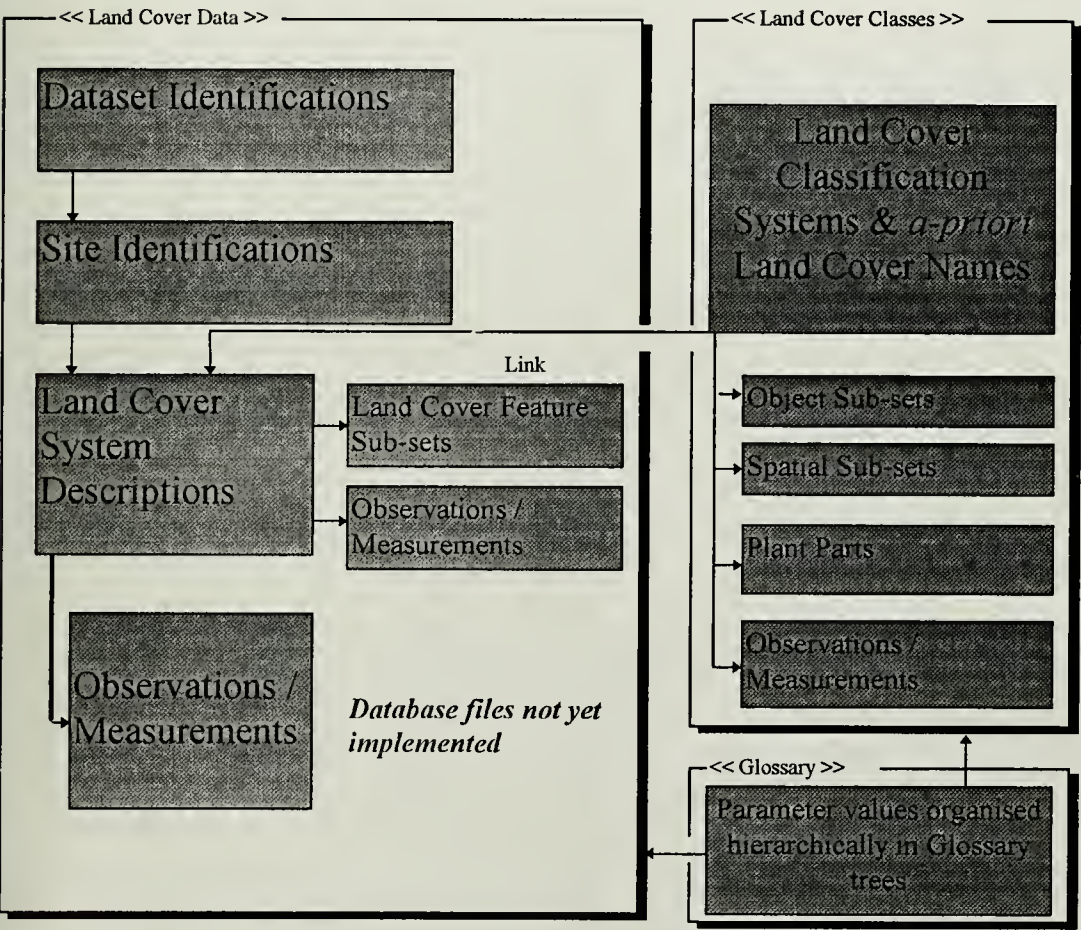
Frequently, measurements or observations are made on part of the sub-set instead of its whole. Consider, for example, the case where broad-leaved trees have been identified as the sub-set to measure biomass. One may decide to determine the biomass for the trees as a whole. However, it is equally likely that the biomass of specific parts of the trees, such as the leaves, is of interest. The notation therefore allows observations to refer either to the whole sub-set (broad-leaved trees) or to part of the selected sub-set (the leaves of the broad-leaved trees).

The above approaches ensure that the land cover notation is scale-independent. For example: one may describe at national level the sub-sets: forest, built-up and fields, or at field level: bunds, road verge and bare soil. Note that the site can be geo-referenced, but the sub-sets are not.

4.4. The Land Cover Data Model

The file structure of the land cover database is identical to that of the land use system (see Figure 11).

Figure 11 Data Model of the Land Cover Database



The design envisages three database files, holding:

- i) *land cover data*. This will store records of observations and measurements of chosen sub-sets of land cover features, made in the field or from remote sensing. The land cover **data** file has not yet been implemented.
- ii) *land cover classes*. This file stores descriptions of a priori land cover classes, expressed in terms of their attributes (observations and measurements of sub-sets of diagnostic land cover features).

iii) *land cover glossary*. A single file, linked to the other land cover database files and performing the same functions of nomenclature control as the land use glossary (see Section 4.5).

4.4.1. Representation of land cover classes

We proposed above that land cover classes should be represented by a sub-set of land-cover features, capable of observation or measurement. Within the above data model, classes are recorded in the following way:

- Each land cover class is represented by one or more **Definitions**.
- A **Definition** comprises one or more **Subsets**, associated with one or more **Rules**. The sub-sets identify the land cover features which the class contains; the rules describe the observations or measurements of those sub-sets, and the boundary conditions. These might specify a particular condition, either qualitatively or quantitatively (eg COLOUR = GREEN, pH = 7.0) or, more commonly, may define thresholds in terms of upper and / or lower values.

Figure 12 provides examples of how this notation is used in practice. All the examples are taken from UNESCO (1973).

The first (and simplest) example, describing the category '*Scrub*' requires a single **definition**, which comprises one physiognomic subset - 'Shrubs' and one **rule** - height between 0.5 and 5.0 m. For membership of this class, both sub-set and rule must apply.

The second example, '*Tall forb communities*', also employs one definition containing a single subset - 'Forbs'. However, there are three rules which define thresholds of height and cover and growth stage. For class membership, all three rules must be satisfied.

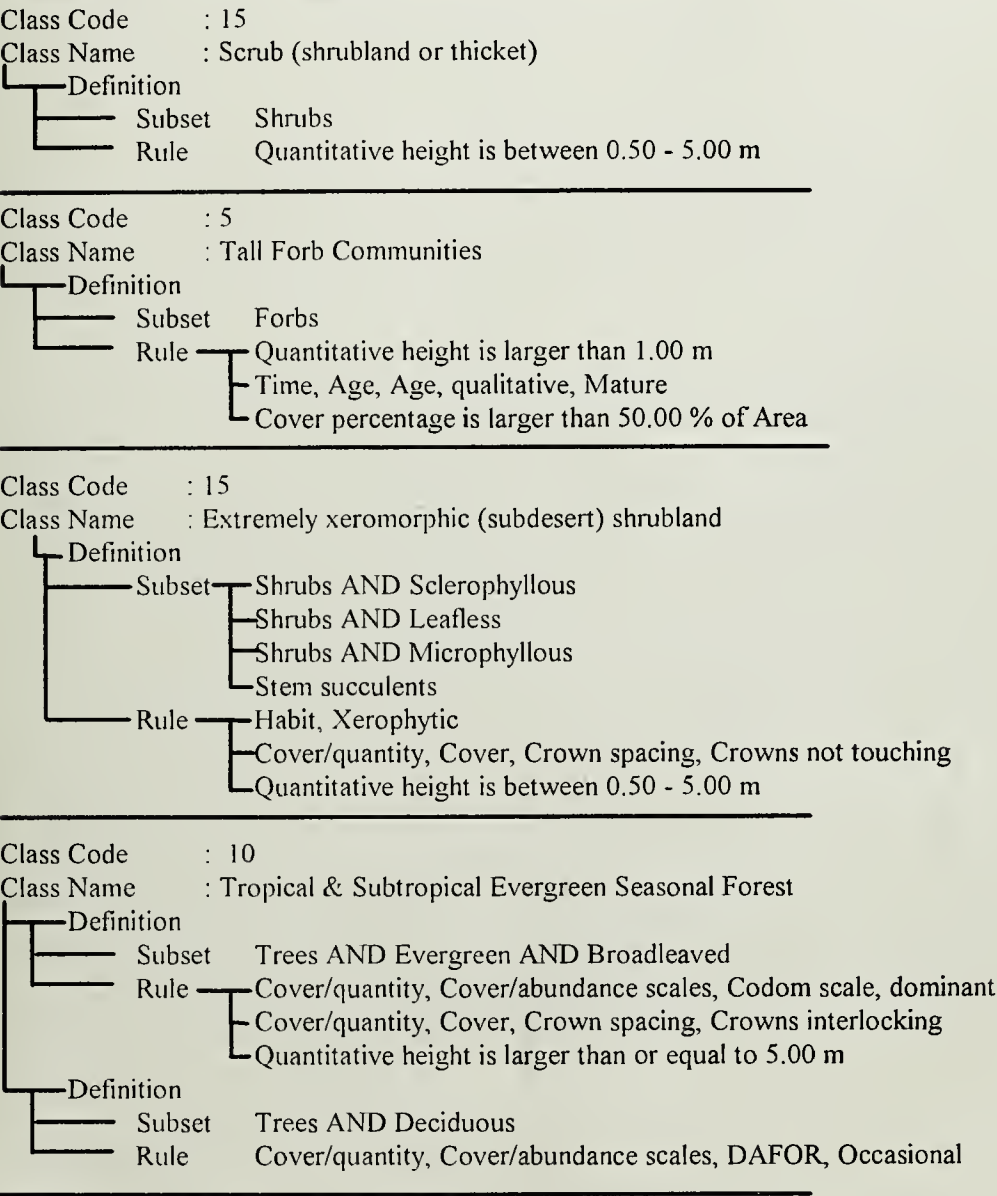
The third class, '*Extremely xeromorphic (subdesert) shrubland*' also involves a single definition, but this time the definition consists of several sub-sets and a number of rules. One sub-set - 'Stem succulents' is based on a single physiognomic criterion; the remainder are composite and involve criteria relating to both physiognomy ('Shrubs') and leaf type ('Sclerophyllous', 'Leafless', 'Microphyllous'). Again, there are three rules, this time defining conditions of habit, cover and height. Class membership is satisfied if any of the four sub-sets is present, provided that all rules are met.

The fourth class, '*Tropical & Subtropical Evergreen Seasonal Forest*', introduces the need for multiple definitions. The first definition specifies the dominant presence of evergreen broad-leaved trees. (Note the use of composite criteria relating to physiognomy ('Trees'), leaf seasonality ('Evergreen') and leaf shape ('Broadleaved') in defining the subset). The second definition specifies the occasional presence of deciduous trees. For class membership to be satisfied, all definitions must be satisfied.

These examples all utilise *object-based* sub-sets. In other words, the sub-sets comprise features defined on the basis of their *properties*. Section 4.3.2 shows how it is possible to define sub-sets on the basis of vertical strata within a vegetation canopy.

Figure 12 Representation of land cover classes using definitions, based on sub-sets and rules

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To summarise the above rules:

- Each category in a classification system is represented by one or more **Definitions**.
- A **Definition** comprises one or more **Sub-sets**, associated with one or more **Rules**.

- All **Definitions** that are entered must be satisfied for the condition to be met. (i.e. Boolean **AND** applies between Definitions).
- A **Sub-set** may include multiple criteria; in this case, Boolean **AND** applies between the criteria.
- When a **definition** invokes several **Subsets**, Boolean **OR** applies. (i.e. if any one Subset is present, then the condition is **TRUE**)
- Within a **Rule**, all the conditions must be satisfied (ie Boolean **AND** applies).

Each **Rule** applies to the logical union of all the **Subsets** with which it is associated. Clearly, the notation is very flexible and potentially complex. However, experience has shown that most class definitions require quite simple combinations of rather few simple definitions.

4.5. The Glossary

The Glossary is a structured list containing the terminology needed to describe the various distinguishing features of land units indicated above. Its main function is to control the values used to describe variables held in the database, and to ensure consistency of terminology. For example, the selection procedure avoids typing errors and spelling differences and can ensure that quantitative variables are within defined limits. It also provides a means of generating on-screen menus to facilitate the selection of appropriate values by the user. The Glossary encourages users to document formal definitions of the terms used; these definitions are available for on-line inspection. The hierarchical structure of the Glossary allows parameter values to be specified at the level of detail required (from general to more specific). In constructing database queries, this permits enquiries to be made progressively more, or less restrictive by moving up and down the hierarchy.

The Glossary file is linked to all other database files (this linkage is not shown in detail in Figures 10 and 11). Because it is needed by all the database modules, it must include concepts appropriate to the description of land use, land cover and any other components of the ecosystem database. To achieve this, the glossary is organised into a number of hierarchical “trees”. Its overall structure is shown in Figure 13. The following Sections of the Report describe sequentially more detailed aspects of the glossary in relation to land use, land cover and general concepts.

Figure 13(a) Overall Structure of Glossary

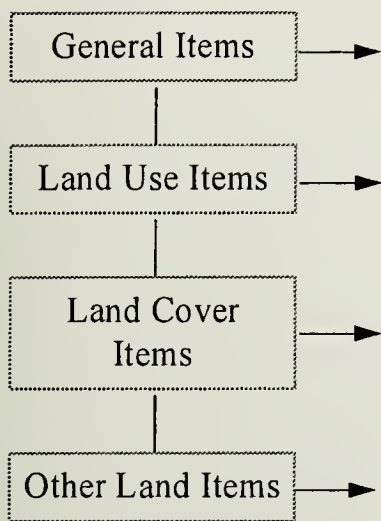


Figure 13 (b) Structure of Glossary Tree ‘General Items’

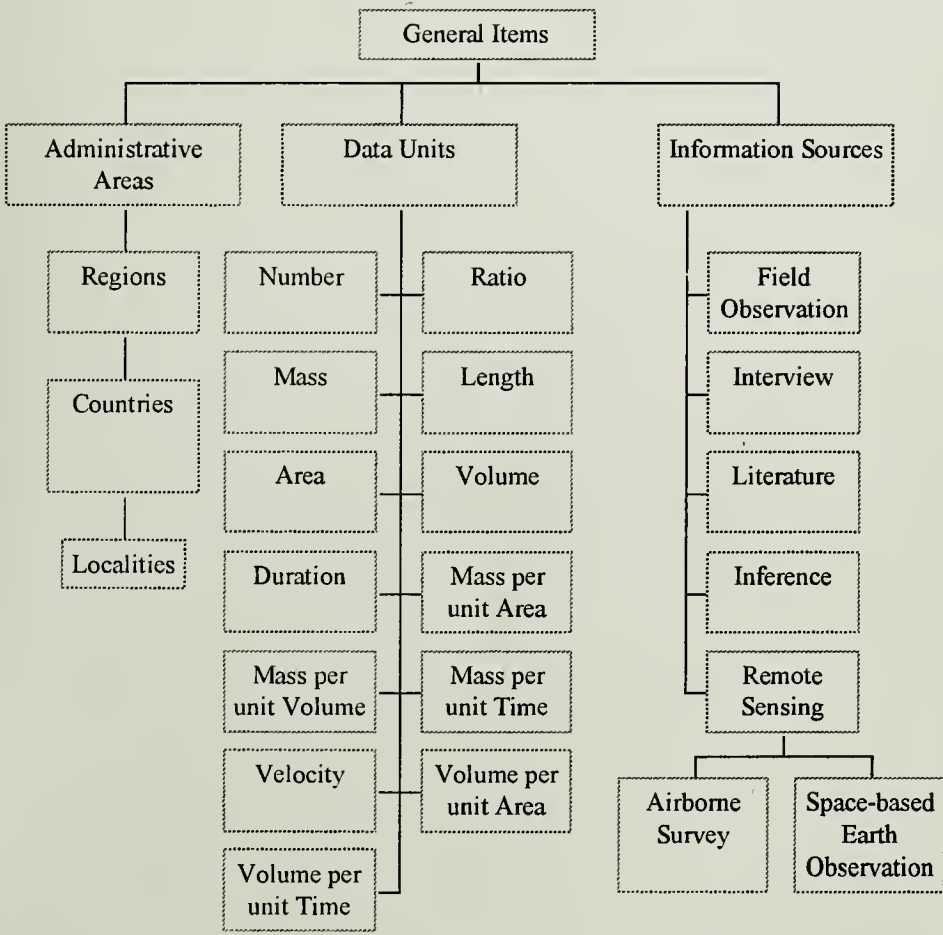


Figure 13 (c) Structure of Glossary Tree ‘Land Use Items’

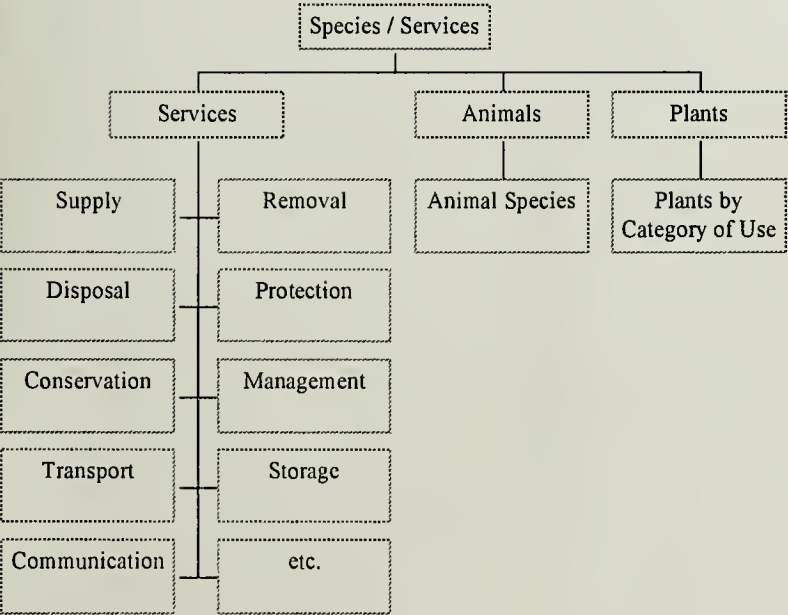
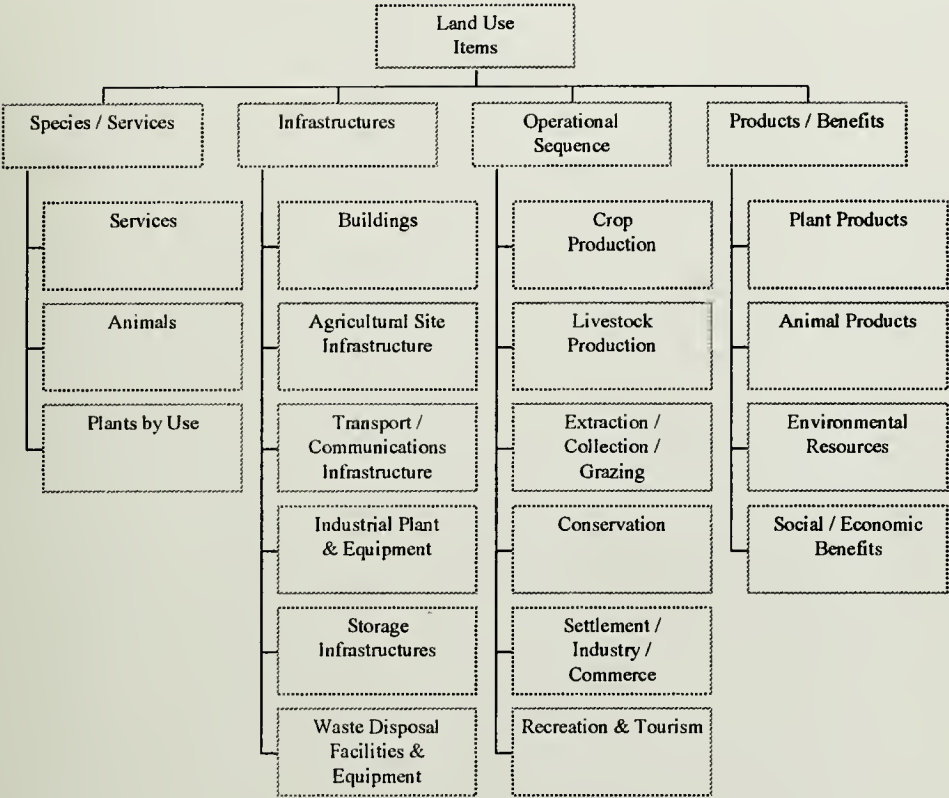


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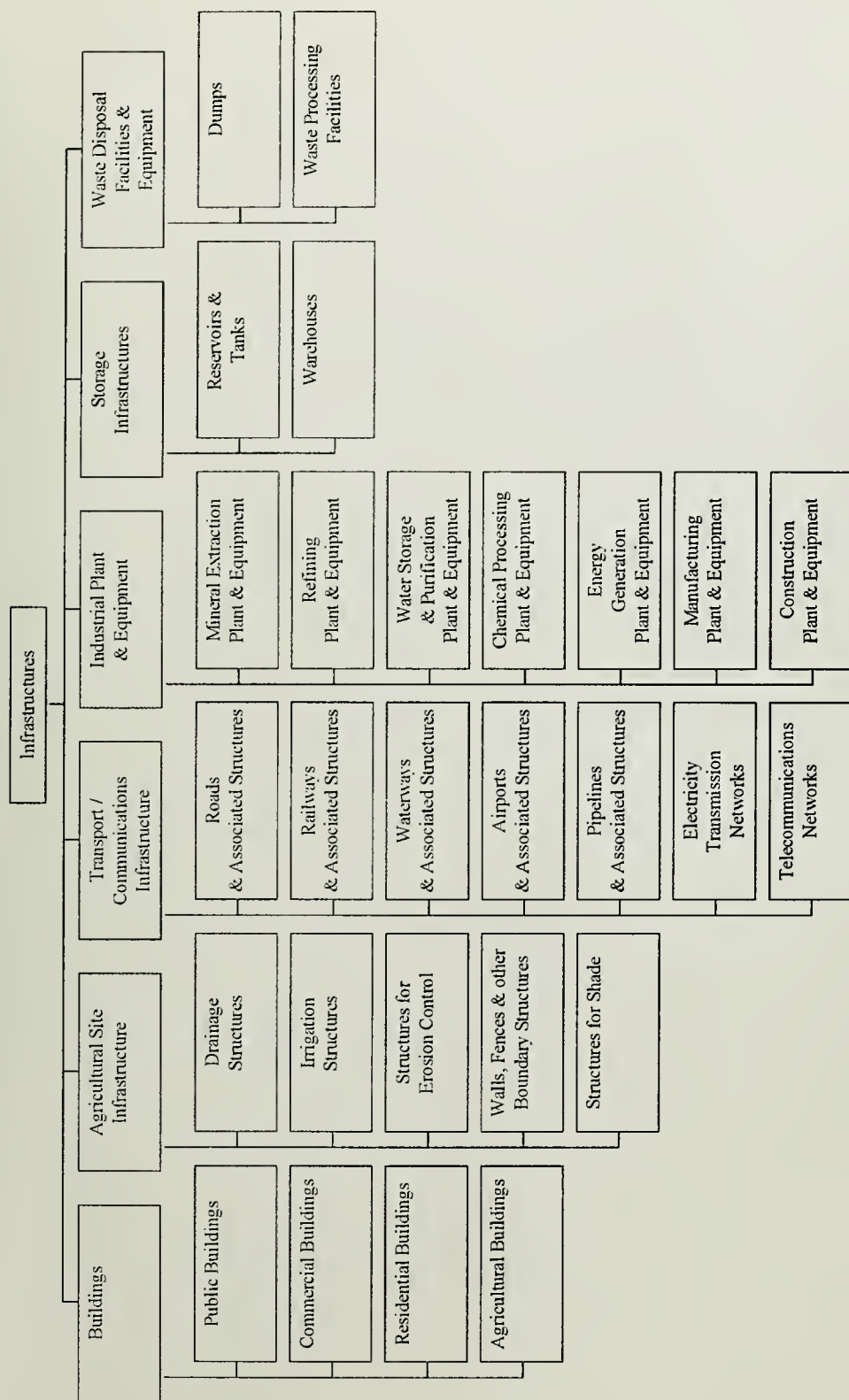


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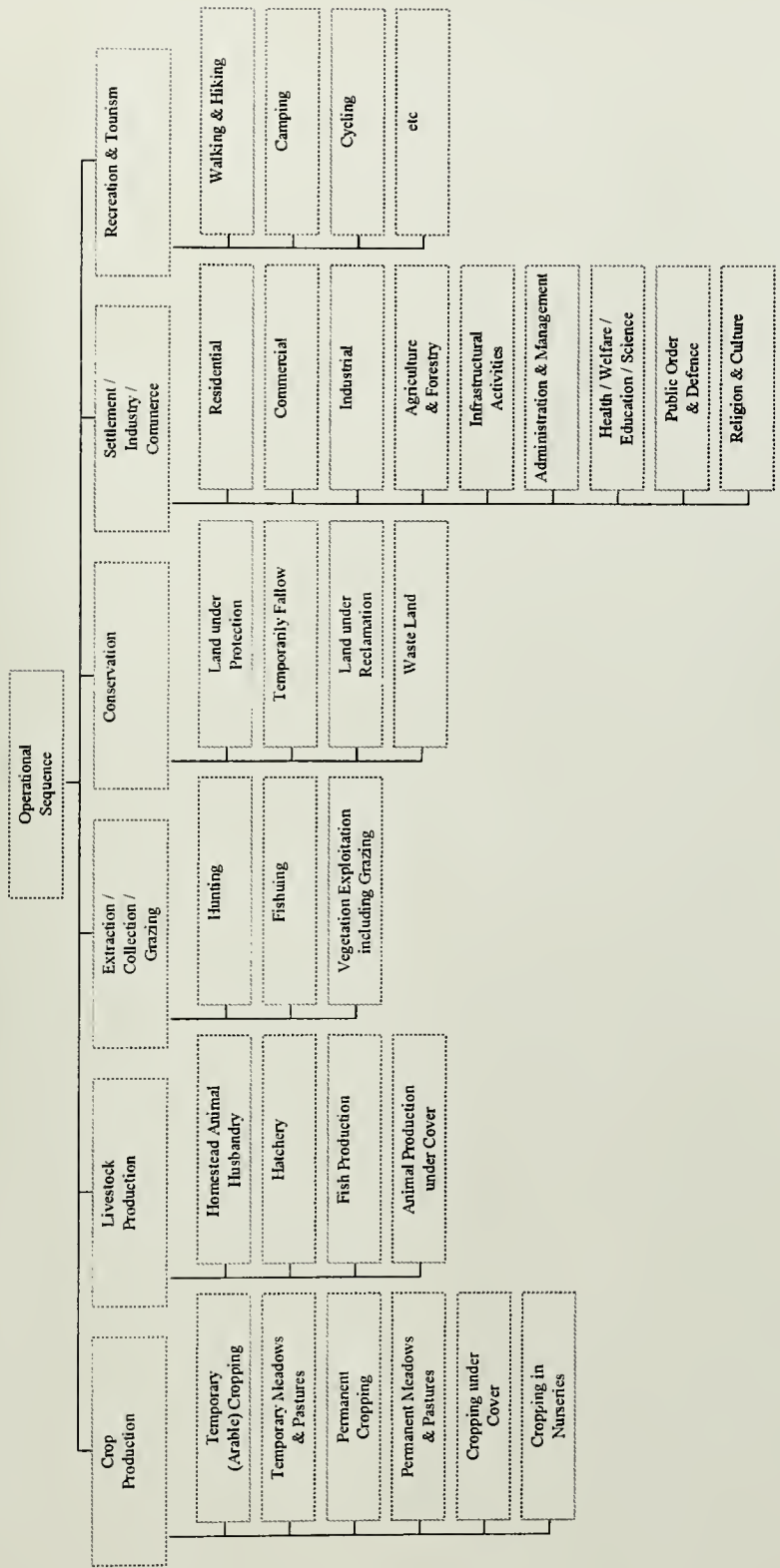
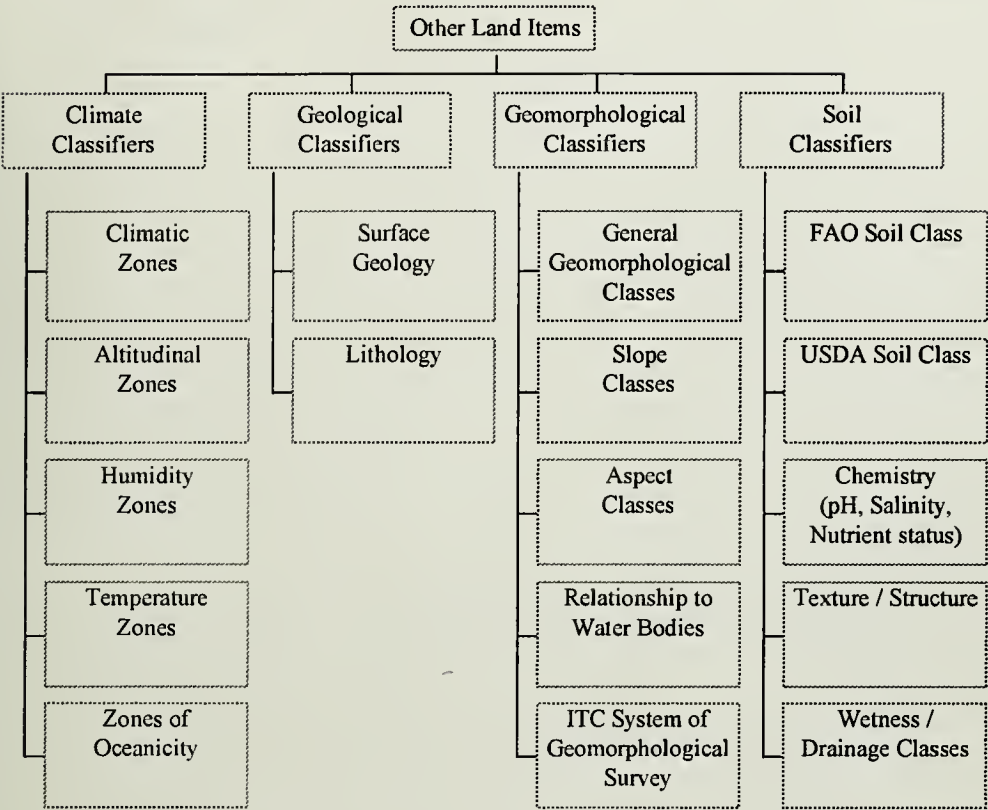


Figure 13 (c) Structure of Glossary Tree ‘Land Use Items’

Plant Products		Animal Products	
Vegetative Parts	Dairy Products	Eggs	Soil
Flowers / Fruits / Seeds	Fleece / Hair / Wool / Fur	Meat	Water
Underground	Hides	Blood	Minerals
Whole plants	Manure	Live Animals	Power & Energy
			Shad

Figure 13 (d) Structure of Glossary Tree ‘Other Land Items’



4.5.1. The Land Use Glossary

The complete Land Use glossary (described fully in de Bie *et al.*, 1996) consists of 19 glossary "trees" (see Figure 14 and Annex 2). Of these, only four trees were required to characterise *a priori* classifications in the present study. These were those describing Species and Services, Products and Benefits, Operational Classifiers and Infrastructures. In each tree, glossary items are hierarchically structured, from general to specific. Figure 15 illustrates the hierarchical structure of the glossary tree Products / Benefits / Materials.

It is important that glossary items are used in the same way by different users; this requires clear and unambiguous definition of each item. Each glossary item can be documented in a 'help' screen that may be invoked whenever the item is accessed, using a function key (<F1>). The documentation of a glossary item is in free-text format; ideally, it will contain a definition of the glossary item, an explanation, and its attribution. An example of a help screen containing documentation of an operation sequence classifier is shown in Figure 16.

Figure 14 List of Land Use Glossary Trees

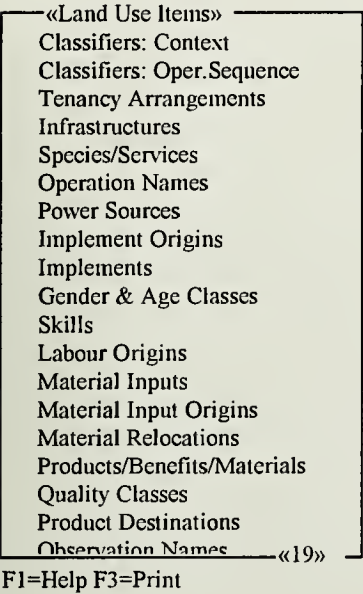


Figure 15 Extract from the Glossary Tree: Products / Benefits / Materials

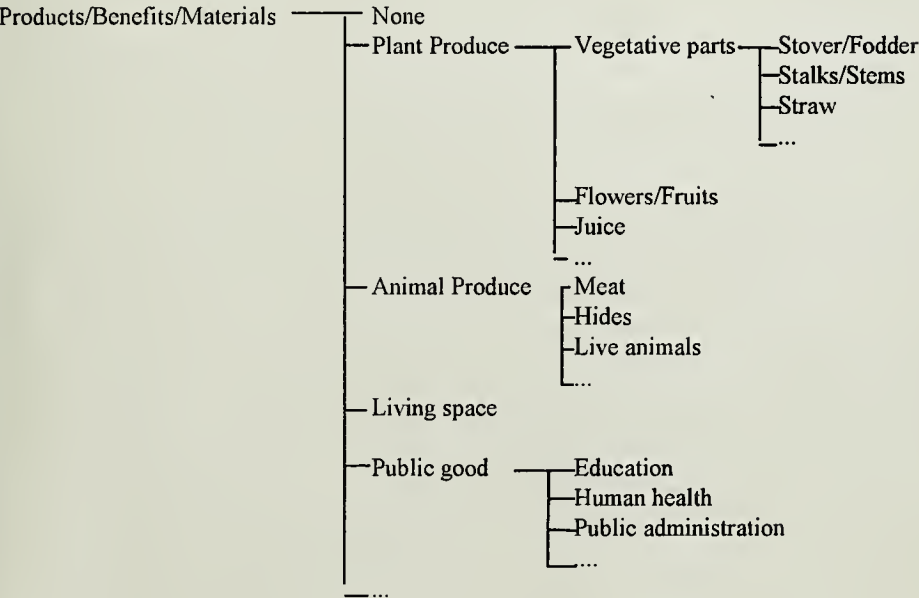


Figure 16 Use of the ‘Help’ facility to define terms in the Land Use Glossary

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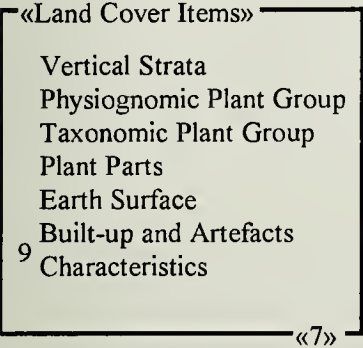
Def.: Ruthenberg (1980): Agricultural systems which involve an alternation between (i) cropping for a few years on selected and cleared plots and (ii) a lengthy period when the soil is rested. The land is cultivated for less than 33% of the years.

In addition to its function in controlling terminology, the Glossary can also be used to determine the view of the database seen by a user, for example, restricting it to a pre-defined window, chosen to reflect his specialist interest by filtering out at the data entry stage items which are of no relevance.

4.5.2. The Land Cover Glossary

The Land Cover glossary consists of 7 glossary “trees” (see Figure 17). Its purpose is similar to that of the Land Use Glossary, but it contains the terminology needed for the representation of land cover classes, as described in Section.

Figure 17 List of Land Cover Glossary Trees



The first six glossary trees contain the terminology needed to define sub-sets of land cover features.

The tree “Vertical Strata” contains descriptive criteria for defining spatial sub-sets. (A quantitative means of vertical segmentation is possible within a database record by indicating lower and upper height limits: this does not require access to a glossary).

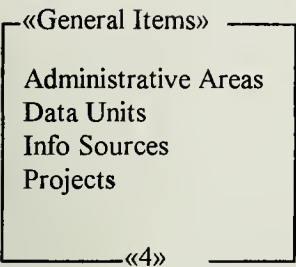
The trees “Physiognomic Plant Group” and “Taxonomic Plant Group” define morphological and taxonomic sub-sets of vegetation. “Plant Parts” contains terms to identify plant components (leaves, bark, roots), where observations are made on part of the sub-set, rather than the whole. The trees “Earth surface” and “Built-up and Artefacts” contains similar terminology to describe non-vegetated land cover.

The final tree “Characteristics” provides the means of defining Rules which define the observed or measured characteristics of the recorded sub-sets.

4.5.3. General glossary trees

In addition to the sets of glossary trees required to manage the specialised terminologies of land use and land cover, there are four trees containing more general terms, applicable across all the different database modules. These general glossary trees are shown in Figure 18.

Figure 18 List of general glossary trees



F1=Help F3=Print

The tree “Administrative Areas” contains a general terminology for defining geographical context in terms of countries, regions and localities; the tree “Data Units” contains units of measurement; the tree “Info Sources” is intended to allow the origins of data to be identified in generic terms (e.g. field survey, questionnaire, interview, remote sensing). Finally, the tree entitled “Projects” allows datasets to be flagged according to the project or programme of origin.

CORRELATION OF *A PRIORI* LAND CLASSES

5.1. The Need for a Correlative Approach

The argument for improved compatibility of information about the land surface has already been made (Section 2, pp 2-3). Surveys of land use or land cover are both expensive and difficult to undertake. Change detection and monitoring require inter-comparison of data collected at different times, often by different organisations and / or using different methods. Compilation of national, regional or global data on land use frequently depends on re-interpretation of data collected more locally.

There are many impediments to the assimilation of land data from different sources. Differences in the methods used for data acquisition (e.g. remote sensing vs field survey; interview with land holder vs reliance on documentary evidence), differences in sampling methods and differences in data storage and representation (e.g. maps vs statistical tabulations) all introduce difficulties in comparing estimates of land use or land cover from a variety of sources. Arguably the greatest potential for error originates in differences in the classification systems used to record information on land use or land cover. Examples have already been given of how differences in classification can influence both estimates of the areal extent of different land cover types (Figure 1) and their mapping (Figure 2). We ruled out (on grounds of feasibility) solutions to this problem based on the imposition of common standards (Section 2.3). Instead, we advocate development of methods to allow statistics defined in terms of a particular classification to be transformed into the reference frame of alternative systems.

5.2. A Basis for Correlation

Such methods of transforming data between classifications should, as far as possible, be accurate, objective and repeatable. An important consideration is to avoid, or at least, to minimise, variation due to different human interpretations. There are three possible approaches to the task of correlation:

- by use of human experts (or expert systems, which provide a codification of human knowledge) to identify equivalent classes in the different classification systems, using their experience and knowledge of the subject matter. This was the approach adopted in the earlier UK-based study (Wyatt *et al.*, 1994).
- by reclassifying the original survey data, if these are available, in terms of the new classification.
- by deriving, or inferring one set of classifiers from the other, using a natural relationship between them, for example, on the same principle as the use of pedo-transfer functions in soil classification and mapping.

The first approach necessarily contains elements of subjectivity, and results are likely to vary, depending on the judgements of the experts employed. The second, in principle, may be objective, but is likely to be difficult or expensive to implement. The third approach forms the basis of the method used in this study. In this method, the natural relationships between land classes are the attributes of land use and land cover, which underpin the data models described in Section 4 of this Report.

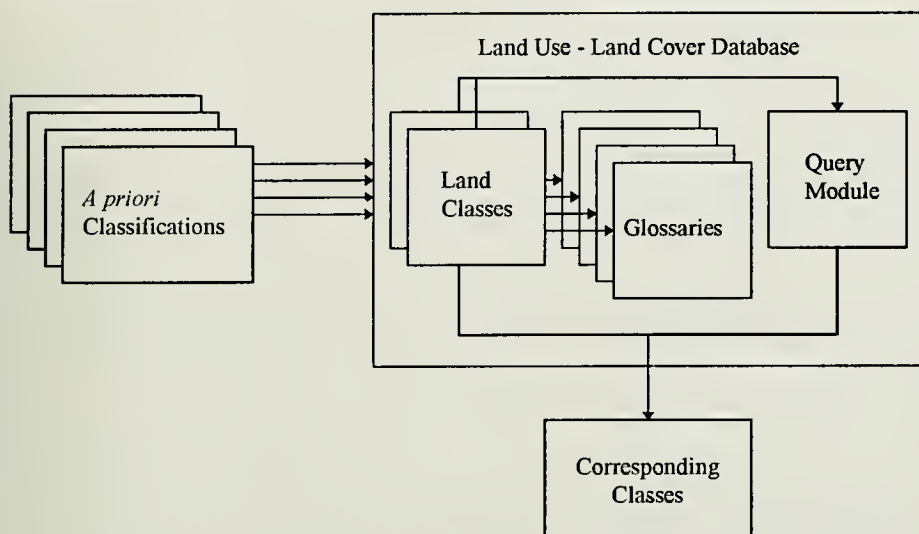
5.3. Overview of Correlation Procedures

Within the Land Use Database (de Bie *et al.*, 1996), is the capacity to describe *a priori* land use classifications in terms of key attributes, including the sequence of land management operations undertaken, the intended outputs, the species and services, etc. (see Section 4.2). The Query Module of the Land Use Database provides the means to match the attributes used to describe a given *a priori* land use class against other similarly encoded classes and to identify classes with similar, or identical characteristics. This system was therefore adopted as the prototype to demonstrate the principles underlying our approach to the inter-comparison of land classifications.

An important element of the present study was the development, described in Sections 4.3 - 4.4 of this Report, of a Land Cover Module within the same database software. The Land Cover Module can also be used to characterise *a priori* classes, but this time in terms of attributes of land cover. These attributes of land cover include vegetation, by physiognomy or taxonomy, earth surface properties, artefacts and features of the built environment and abstract qualitative and quantitative characteristics, such as spatial and temporal properties, morphology and composition. Logical combinations of land cover attributes can be used to search a file of *a priori* classes to match those with similar land cover characteristics, just as when matching sets of similar land use classes.

In the prototype, the land cover and land use modules are separate: inter-comparisons were on the basis **either** of land use **or** of land cover. In one respect, this was a useful discipline, since it enforced clear separation of these concepts. However, most extant classifications are less rigorous, and frequently include elements of land use, land cover and other environmental 'ecosystem' attributes, such as climate or geography. Clear definition and identification of such composite classes solely on the basis of land use or land cover sometimes made for difficulties, as will become apparent in the following Sections of the Report.

Figure 19 Application of Land Use - Land Cover Database to Describe *a priori* Land Classes and to Identify Similar Classes by Matching Attributes



The overall approach employed is illustrated in Figure 19. The first step was to select from the large number of land classifications in current use world-wide a subset of those to be included in the prototype. In the second stage, a systematic record of the constituent classes of each classification was entered in the land use - land cover database, in the form of structured lists of their characteristic attributes of land use or land cover. This analysis was carried out by reference to published definitions. The same analysis frequently identified shortcomings in the glossaries, and the opportunity was taken to revise and expand them. In the case of the land use system, the glossaries were already extensive and well-tested, and the main change was to expand the sections concerned with the built environment. In the case of the newly-developed land cover system, this exercise was an important step in populating the glossaries.

5.4. Choice of Classifications

The term 'classification' was taken to mean any nomenclature, hierarchical or non-hierarchical, which is capable of being used to describe land cover or land use. Important examples of such classifications in current or recent use world-wide were identified by means of a review of the technical and scientific literature, building on documentation produced for the 1993 UNEP/FAO Expert Meeting on Harmonising Land Cover and Land Use Classifications (UNEP/FAO, 1994) and on a preliminary list of classifications, drawn up in preparation for the present study. The resulting Bibliography forms Annex 3 to this Report. Detailed documentation has been assembled for as many as possible of the classifications identified in the review; this includes the classifications themselves and, where possible, definitions of the land cover or land use categories employed and relevant bibliographic citations. This documentation is held by ITE at its Monks Wood site.

The following criteria were applied in selecting from this list the classifications to be included in the prototype. The aim was to assemble information on as wide as possible a range of such classifications, covering:

- a diversity of geographical scales and settings, including: global, continental, regional (temperate), regional (tropical), regional (arid), national, and farm level;
- a range of scientific disciplines and application areas, including bio-geography, agriculture, forestry, resource management, environmental protection, global change, biodiversity;
- a range of data capture methods (e.g. remote sensing, ground-based mapping, agricultural census such as the AD 2000 World Census of Agriculture of FAO's Statistics Division);
- a range of data processing and presentational formats (mapping, statistics and tabulation, yield estimation, etc.).

In Annex 4, the classifications listed in the Bibliography at Annex 3 are characterised according to these criteria.

5.5. Encoding of *a priori* Classifications and Population of Glossaries

This was completed for the 16 classifications listed in Table 1. 9 classifications were described in terms of attributes of land use and 9 in terms of land cover characteristics. By reference to published definitions, each land class in every classification was described in terms of elementary attributes and these attributes were entered in the land use - land cover database, using appropriate terms from the Glossary. Examples of these outputs are attached as Figure 20.

Table 1 Land Classifications Considered in the Prototype Correlation Study

Correlation by Land Use Attributes

Commission of the European Communities (1992): CORINE Land Cover

UN/ECE Statistical Division (1993): ECE Standard Statistical Classification of Land Use

Gierman, D.M. (1981): Land Use Classification for Land Use Monitoring. Environment Canada

Duhamel, C. *et al.* (1995): Classification for Land Use Statistics EUROSTAT Remote Sensing Programme (CLUSTERS)

Young, A. (1994): Towards International Classification Systems for Land Use and Land Cover (UNEP/FAO)

Anderson, J.R. *et al.* (1976): A Land Use and Land Cover Classification System for use with Remote Sensing. (USGS)

FAO (1986): Programme for the 1990 World Census Of Agriculture. (UN-FAO)

Mücher, C.A. *et al.* (1993): Proposal for a Global Land Use Classification (FAO)

UK Department of the Environment (1996): Land Use Information Base for England (National Land Use Stock System)

Correlation by Land Cover Attributes

USGS: Range and Forest Resources of Senegal

UNESCO (1973): International Classification and Mapping of Vegetation

US Federal Geographic Data Committee (1995): Vegetation Classification Standards

Paijmans, K. (1975): Vegetation Map of Papua New Guinea. (CSIRO)

IGBP-DIS (1996): The IGBP-DIS Global 1km Land Cover Data Set 'DISCover'

Commission of the European Communities (1992): CORINE Land Cover

Anderson, J.R. *et al.* (1976): A Land Use and Land Cover Classification System for use with Remote Sensing. (USGS)

FAO - UNEP (1994): Cambodia Land Cover Atlas, 1985/87 - 1992/93

Land Cover Working Group of the Asian Association on Remote Sensing (1995): Draft Classification.

Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
a) Land Use

Class Representation

CORINE LAND COVER

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.1 URBAN FABRIC

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, Commercial Premises, - -
- Product/Benefit: Commercial Services, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, Public Buildings, - -
- Product/Benefit: Public Good, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, Residential Buildings, - -
- Product/Benefit: Living Space, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Infrastructures, - -
- Product/Benefit: Transport, - -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

- 1 : Crop Production, None
- 2 : Livestock Production, None
- 3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None
- 4 : Conservation, None
- 5 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, Yes, - -

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.2 INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL & TRANSPORT UNITS

1.2.1 Industrial or Commercial Units

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, Commercial Premises, - -
- Product/Benefit: Commercial Services, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, - -
- Product/Benefit: Industrial Products, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Infrastructures, - -
- Product/Benefit: Industrial Products, - -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

- 1 : Crop Production, None
- 2 : Livestock Production, None
- 3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None
- 4 : Conservation, None
- 5 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, Yes, - -

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.2 INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL & TRANSPORT UNITS

1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks and Associated Land

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

- Species/Service: Services, Buildings, - -
- Product/Benefit: Transport, - -
- Species/Service: Services, Infrastructures, - -
- Product/Benefit: Transport, - -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

- 1 : Crop Production, None
- 2 : Livestock Production, None
- 3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None
- 4 : Conservation, None
- 5 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, Yes, - -

Database Query

Crop Production = None
AND Livestock Production = None
AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None
AND Conservation = None
AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = Yes
AND
((Species/Service = Commercial Premises
AND Product/Benefit = Commercial Services)
OR
(Species/Services = Public Buildings AND
Product/Benefit = Public Good)
OR
(Species/Services = Residential Buildings AND
Product/Benefit = Living Space)
OR
(Species/Service = Infrastructures AND
Product/Benefit = Transport))

Crop Production = None
AND Livestock Production = None
AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None
AND Conservation = None
AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = Yes
AND
((Species/Service = Commercial Premises
AND Product/Benefit = Commercial Services)
OR
(Species/Services = Buildings AND
Product/Benefit = Industrial Products)
OR
(Species/Service = Infrastructures AND
Product/Benefit = Industrial Products))

Crop Production = None
AND Livestock Production = None
AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None
AND Conservation = None
AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = Yes
AND
((Species/Service = Buildings AND
Product/Benefit = Transport)
OR
(Species/Service = Infrastructures AND
Product/Benefit = Transport))

Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
a) Land Use

Class Representation

Database Query

2 AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2.1 ARABLE LAND

2.1.1 Non-Irrigated Arable Land

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: Plants by Use, -

Product/Benefit: Plant Produce, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, Yes, Temporary (arable) Cropping, -

2 : Livestock Production, None

3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None

4 : Conservation, None

5 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

6 : Recreation and Tourism, None

7 : i Water Applied, None

Crop Production = Temporary (arable) Cropping

AND Livestock Production = None

AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None

AND Conservation = None

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND Recreation and Tourism = None

AND Water Applied = None

AND Species/Service = Plants by Use

AND Product/Benefit = Plant Produce

2 AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2.2 PERMANENT CROPS

2.2.1 Vineyards

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: Plants by Use, Edible fruits and nuts, Other

Families, Grapes; *Vitis vinifera* L., -

Product/Benefit: Plant Produce, Flowers/Fruits/Seeds, Fruits, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, Yes, Permanent Cropping, -

2 : Livestock Production, None

3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None

4 : Conservation, None

5 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

Crop Production = Permanent Cropping

AND Livestock Production = None

AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None

AND Conservation = None

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND Species/Service = *Vitis vinifera* L.

AND Product/Benefit = Fruits

2 AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2.3 PASTURES

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: Plants by Use, For feed: forage/pasture/(F1),

Gramineae, -

Product/Benefit: Plant Produce, Vegetative Parts, Stover/Fodder, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, Yes, -

2 : Livestock Production, Yes, Homestead Animal Husbandry

3 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

Crop Production = Yes

AND Livestock Production = Homestead

Animal Husbandry

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND Species/Service = Gramineae

AND Product/Benefit = Stover / Fodder

3 FORESTS AND SEMI-NATURAL AREAS

3.1 FORESTS

3.1.1 Broadleaved Forest

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: Plants by Use, Timber Trees, -

Product/Benefit: Plant Produce, Vegetative parts,

Fire,Pole,Pulp,Timber-Wood, -

Species/Service: Plants by Use, Natural Plant Communities, -

Product/Benefit: None, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, Yes, Permanent Cropping, Managed Forestry

2 : Livestock Production, None

3 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

Crop Production = Managed Forestry

AND Livestock Production = None

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND

((Species/Service = Timber Trees AND
Product/Benefit = Fire,Pole,Pulp,Timber-
Wood))

OR

(Species/Service = Natural Plant Communities
AND

Product/Benefit = None))

Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
a) Land Use

Class Representation

3 FORESTS AND SEMI-NATURAL AREAS

3.2 SHRUB/HERBACEOUS VEGETATION ASSOCIATIONS

3.2.2 Moors and heathland

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: Plants by Use, Natural Plant Communities, -

Product/Benefit: None, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, None

2 : Livestock Production, None

3 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

4 WETLANDS

4.2 MARITIME WETLANDS

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: None, -

Product/Benefit: None, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, None

2 : Livestock Production, None

3 : Extraction/Collection/Grazing, None

4 : Settlement/Industry/Commerce, None

5 WATER BODIES

5.1 INLAND WATERS

5.1.2 Water Bodies

Land Use Purpose Classifiers

Species/Service: None, -

Product/Benefit: None, -

Species/Service: Services, Water Resources, -

Product/Benefit: Water, -

Operation Sequence Classifiers

1 : Crop Production, None

2 : Livestock Production, None

Database Query

Crop Production = None

AND Livestock Production = None

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND Species/Service = Natural Plant
Communities

AND Product/Benefit = None

Crop Production = None

AND Livestock Production = None

AND Extraction/Collection/Grazing = None

AND Settlement/Industry/Commerce = None

AND Species/Service = None

AND Product/Benefit = None

Crop Production = None

AND Livestock Production = None

AND

((Species/Service = None AND
Product/Benefit = None)

OR

(Species/Service = Water Resources AND
Product/Benefit = Water))

Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
b) Land Cover

Class Representation

CORINE LAND COVER

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.1 URBAN FABRIC

Definition

Subset : Built/artificial

Rule : Cover/quantity, Presence/absence, Presence

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.2 INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND TRANSPORT UNITS

1.2.1 Industrial or Commercial Units

Definition

Subset : Built/artificial

Rule : Cover/quantity, Presence/absence, Presence

1 ARTIFICIAL SURFACES

1.2 INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND TRANSPORT UNITS

1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks & Associated Land

Definition

Subset : Linear constructions

Rule : Cover/quantity, Presence/absence, Presence

2 AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2.1 ARABLE LAND

2.1.1 Non-Irrigated Arable Land

Definition

Subset : Bare soil

: Plants by Use

Rule : Cover/quantity, Presence/absence, Presence

2 AGRICULTURAL AREAS

2.2 PERMANENT CROPS

2.2.1 Vineyards

Definition

Subset : Woody climbers AND Broadleaved AND
Deciduous AND Grapes; *Vitis vinifera* L.

Rule : Cover/quantity, Presence/absence, Presence

Database Query

Build-up and Artefacts = Built/artificial

AND

Cover Characteristics = Presence

Build-up and Artefacts = Built/artificial

AND

Cover Characteristics = Presence

Build-up and Artefacts = Linear constructions

AND

Cover Characteristics = Presence

(Earth Surface = Bare soil

OR

Taxonomic Plant Group = Plants by Use)

AND

Cover Characteristics = Presence

Physiognomic Plant Group = Woody climbers

AND

Physiognomic Plant Group = Broadleaved

AND

Physiognomic Plant Group = Deciduous

AND

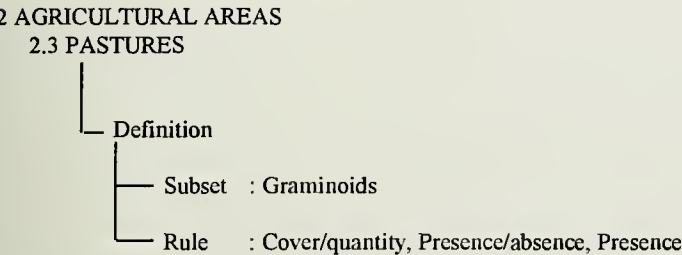
Taxonomic Plant Group = *Vitis vinifera* L.

AND

Cover Characteristics = Presence

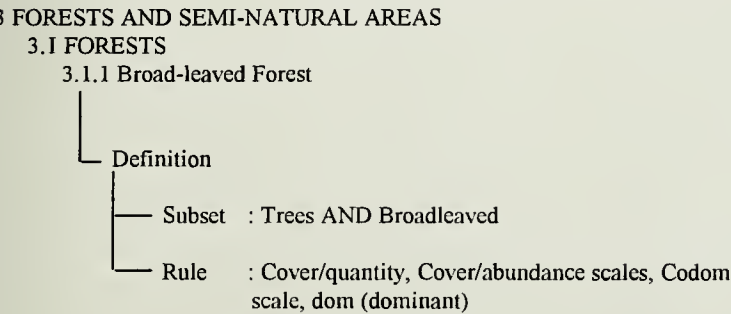
Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
b) Land Cover

Class Representation

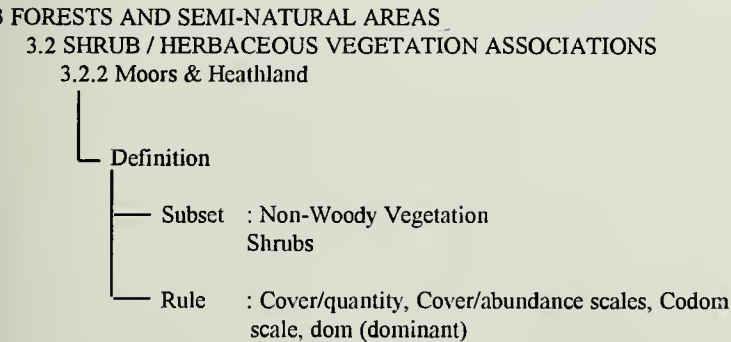


Database Query

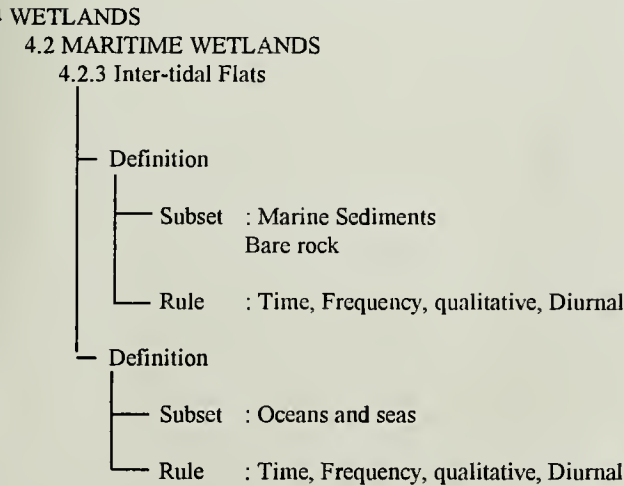
Physiognomic Plant Group = Graminoids
AND
Cover Characteristics = Presence



Physiognomic Plant Group = Trees
AND
Physiognomic Plant Group = Broadleaved
AND
Cover Characteristics = dominant



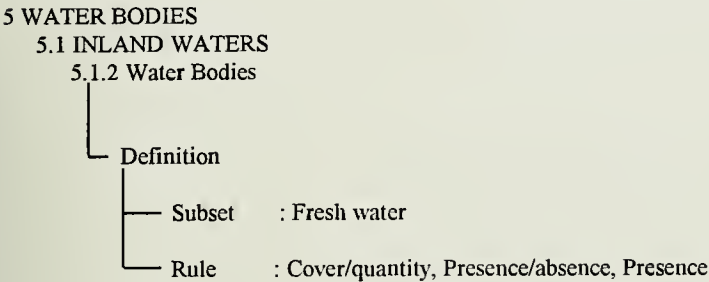
(Physiognomic Plant Group = Non-woody plants
OR
Physiognomic Plant Group = Shrubs)
AND
Cover Characteristics = dominant



(Earth Surface = Bare rock
OR
Earth Surface = Marine Sediments)
AND
Cover Characteristics = Diurnal
AND
Earth Surface = Oceans and seas

Figure 20 Examples of Land Classes encoded in the Land Use - Land Cover Database
b) Land Cover

Class Representation



Database Query

Earth Surface = Fresh water
AND
Cover Characteristics = Presence

5.6. Correlation of Classifications

The complete set of encoded descriptions of the 9 land use and 9 land cover classifications are held in the Land Use - Land Cover Database which accompanies this Report. In principle, correlations may be established between any required classes, using the Query module of this software package, as exemplified in Figure 20. At present, it is necessary to enter the class description as recorded in the database in the form of a Boolean logical expression. For example, the CORINE class 5.1.2 (Inland Water Bodies) is coded in the Land Use module of the database as follows:

Land Use Purpose Classifiers:

Species/Service: None

Product/Benefit: None

Species/Service: Water Resources

Product/Benefit: Water

Operation Sequence Classifiers

Crop Production: None

Livestock Production: None

The equivalent Boolean expression required by the Query module is:

Crop Production = None

AND

Livestock Production = None

AND

((Species/Service = None AND Product/Benefit = None)

OR

(Species/Service = Water Resources AND Product/Benefit = Water))

This query returns all classes from all the recorded classifications that satisfy this logical expression. Coded descriptions of land cover can similarly be represented by Boolean expressions, which can be used to search the database for classes with matching properties.

Annexes 5 and 6 list the outputs from two such searches for the 63 land classes which comprise the CORINE Land Cover classification (Commission of the European Communities, 1992). Annex 5 results from matching attributes of land use, while Annex 6 shows the output from matching land cover. Note that, despite its name and despite the fact that the CORINE classification was designed to accommodate land information derived from remote sensing, there are important elements of both land use and land cover in the classification. This is far from unusual amongst the classifications investigated.

The outputs listed in Annexes 5 and 6 take account of the hierarchical structure of many of the classifications considered in order to minimise redundancy in the listings. Thus, if a given class matches with a generic class X and with all its daughters (X.1, X.1.1, X.1.2, X.2, X.3, etc) then only the generic class X is listed, and matches with the sub-classes are inferred. If, on the other hand, a valid match exists only for some of the sub-classes (e.g. X.1.1, X.2, X.3) then

these are listed explicitly, and the list omits the generic classes X, X.1 (which do not satisfy the query).

For example, the CORINE Land Cover Class 2 (*Agricultural Areas*) corresponds in terms of use to Class 2 (*Agricultural Land*) in the Anderson system and, by inference, with the sub-Classes 2.1 (*Cropland & Pastures*), 2.2 (*Orchards, et.*), 2.3 (*Confined Feeding Operations*) and 2.4 (*Other Agricultural Land*). In contrast, CORINE Class 1.2.2 - *Industrial or Commercial Units* corresponds with UN/ECE Classes 3.2 (*Industrial Land*) and 3.4 (*Commercial Land*), but not with Class 3 (*Built-up and Related Land*) because there is no match with sub-Classes 3.1 (*Residential Land*), 3.3 (*Quarries, etc.*), 3.5 (*Land used for Public Services*), etc.

5.7. Appraisal of the Results of the Prototype Correlation

Objective appraisal of the effectiveness of the methodology is difficult, since no baseline exists against which to assess the results. Two broad types of error may be recognised;

- errors of commission, or precision errors, where matches are suggested which the class definitions do not support;
- errors of omission, or recall errors, where valid matches are missed by the system.

Precision errors are relatively easy to detect, by inspection, though careful investigation often reveals valid reasons for apparently erroneous results. For example, CORINE Class 1.4.2 (*Sport & Leisure Facilities*) has cover attributes equivalent to 'Herbaceous Steppes' in the USGS map of Range and Forest Resources in Senegal and to 'Agricultural Land - Grass Crops' in the classification of the Asian Association on Remote Sensing. Recall errors, which, for reasons discussed below, may be more prevalent, are comparatively difficult to detect, unless the source documentation is itself inspected; this task rapidly becomes impossible as the number of classifications of interest increases above two or three.

5.8. External Factors that may Influence Correlation

5.8.1. Quality of the Definition of *a priori* Classes

Success in establishing correspondence between classes in different *a priori* classifications is crucially dependent upon the clarity with which these classes are defined and the consistency with which the definitions are applied in the original classifications. It goes without saying that a successful classification must identify categories that are useful in the context of the applications envisaged. In addition, it is desirable that it should be capable of being applied consistently by different users and repeatably over time. Ideally, the classes used should be **unique** and **unambiguous**. On the evidence of this study, standards in this respect are variable. Some definitions are comprehensive, and define rigorous boundary conditions, often quantitative, which mean that, in principle at least, they provide a basis for objective and repeatable classification. In other cases, definitions provide insufficient detail to achieve these goals. Sometimes, classes are identified by little more than their names; frequently, such definitions as are provided fail to define boundary conditions and are therefore open to misinterpretation. Classifications may fail to provide even internal consistency. Note, for example, the frequency with which classes in the CORINE system overlap with other classes elsewhere in the same classification.

The adequacy, or otherwise, of definitions brings into question whether, in identifying class attributes, we should depend solely on the information provided in the definitions. For example, definitions such as ‘*Consist mainly of broad-leaved evergreen trees*’ beg the question of how to interpret ‘*mainly*’. In cases such as this, we were strongly tempted to apply a sensible quantitative threshold condition. In other cases, it would have been possible to draw on expert knowledge in the team, for example, in respect of temperate natural ecosystems, to infer class attributes that were not stated explicitly in the published definitions. We tried to resist these temptations, for a number of reasons. For example, we had no means of testing the validity of any assumptions we might make without referring back to the way in which the system had been used to classify actual data. Furthermore, although we had detailed knowledge of certain ecosystems, there were many others with which we were unfamiliar. Recourse to external knowledge would have introduced an element of partiality, which would have distorted the analysis. We therefore limited our choice of attributes to those that were explicitly identified in the published definitions, even where this led to a very restricted set of attributes and, consequently, to a rather poor representation of the classes concerned.

A related issue concerns the treatment of *indicative* information. It is common practice to include in definitions features, such as plant species, which are characteristic of the class. An example might be ‘*Montane Raised Bog:often covered with sedges or evergreen dwarf shrubs....*’. Such information, while helpful for visualising the class, is not diagnostic. The rule of thumb we adopted was to ask ‘*If this feature is absent, could the class rules be satisfied, nevertheless?*’ If the answer to this question was ‘Yes’, then it would have been mistaken to include the feature as a *definitive* class attribute.

5.8.2. Boundary Conditions

Given clearly-defined classes, based on a common set of attributes, the correspondence between classifications can be estimated consistently and with high levels of confidence. However, differences in class boundary conditions between classifications mean that it is rare for identical classes to exist in different systems. Commonly, there is overlap between classes, but this overlap is less than 100%. Moreover, a given land cover in one system will generally fall into more than one class in a second system, so that many-to-many relationships frequently apply between land classes in different schemes. An example from the present study serves to illustrate the issue. Two of the classification schemes considered in this study identified forest types on the basis of a broadly similar attribute set (see Table 2).

Table 2 Attributes used to record Evergreen Forest in two Land Cover Classifications

Category	Seasonality	Leaf Shape	Dominant Floristics	Canopy Height	Canopy Cover
Cambodia Land Cover Atlas - Evergreen Forest	Evergreen			>7m	>10%
Cambodia Land Cover Atlas - Coniferous Forest	Evergreen		Conifers	> 7m	> 10%
IGBP-DIS Global Land Cover - Evergreen Needle-leaf Forests	Evergreen	Needle-leaved		>2m	>60%
IGBP-DIS Global Land Cover - Evergreen Broadleaf Forests	Evergreen	Broad-leaved		>2m	>60%

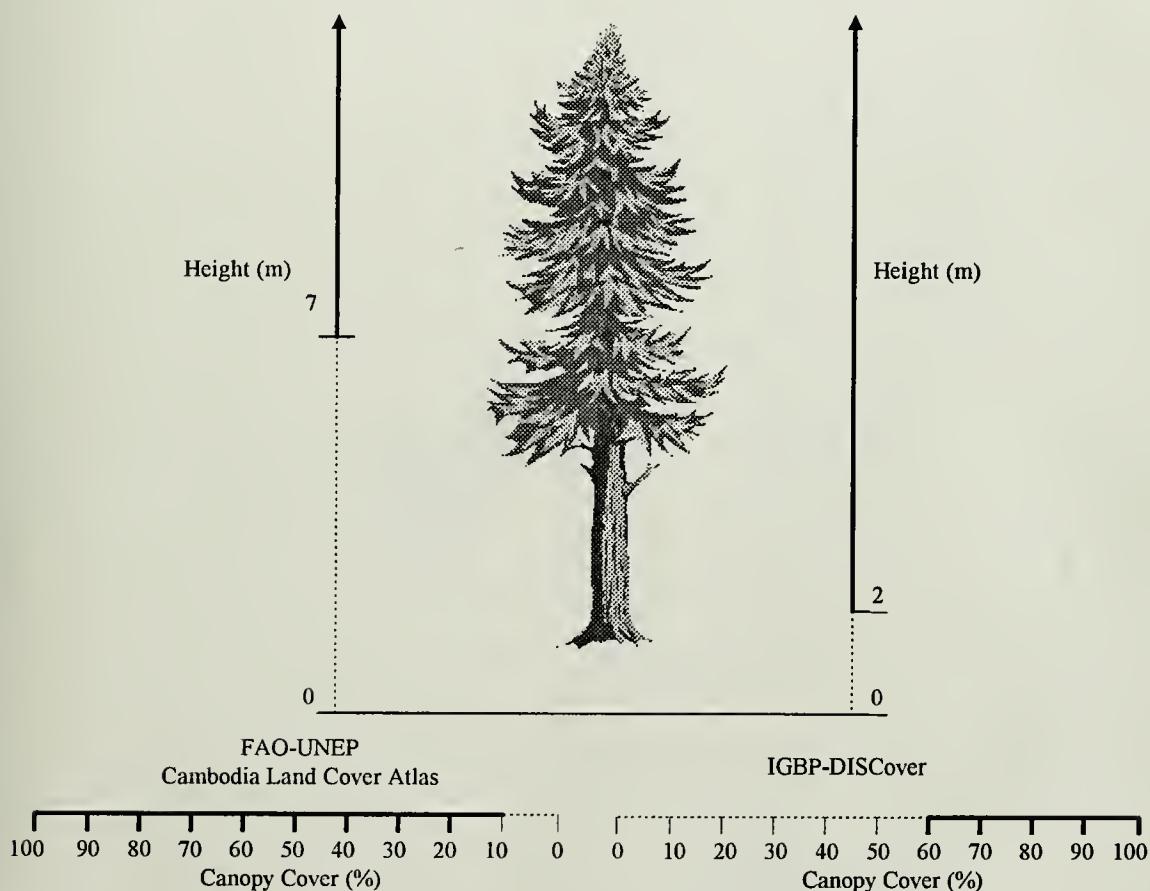
Key criteria adopted in these classifications are:

- the canopy height threshold used to distinguish between high forest and shrub;
- the minimum canopy percentage cover that distinguishes forest from other tree-dominated cover types.

Figure 21 shows the differences in the application of these two criteria between:

- the classification scheme used by the FAO-UNEP Land Cover Atlas of Cambodia;
- the land cover classification adopted for the IGBP-DIS Global 1km Land Cover Database.

Figure 21 Classification of Tropical Forest Types



Land is classified as '*Forest*' in both systems only when canopy height exceeds 7m and canopy cover 60%. Areas of woody vegetation between 2m and 7m in height are classified as '*Forest*' in the IGBP system, but not in the Cambodia Atlas. Conversely, the FAO-UNEP Atlas '*Forest*' class includes land with tree cover from 10 - 60%, that are described as '*Savannah*' by IGBP.

The actual situation is even more complex, since 5 attributes are employed in the two systems to distinguish the main evergreen forest types recognised (see Table 2). The FAO-UNEP Cambodian Land Cover Atlas divides evergreen forest into two main sub-types, based on the dominance, or otherwise, of coniferous species. The IGBP-DIS system likewise includes two evergreen forest classes, but, in this case, they are differentiated on the basis of the leaf shape of dominant tree species (Needle-leaved vs. Broad-leaved).

To represent the FAO-UNEP class ‘*Evergreen Forest*’ in the IGBP-DIS system, two classes are needed - ‘*Evergreen Needle-leaved*’ and ‘*Evergreen Broad-leaved*’. But, because of differences in threshold conditions of the other attributes (canopy height and proportional cover), overlap between these classes which purport to be similar, may, in fact, be quite small (Figure 22); in particular, the IGBP forest class will overlap with FAO-UNEP shrub classes, while less dense examples of the FAO-UNEP forest classes will correspond with IGBP savannah categories.

Figure 22a Correspondence between FAO-UNEP Cambodian Atlas Class ‘*Evergreen Forest*’ and IGBP Class ‘*Evergreen Broad-leaved Forest*’

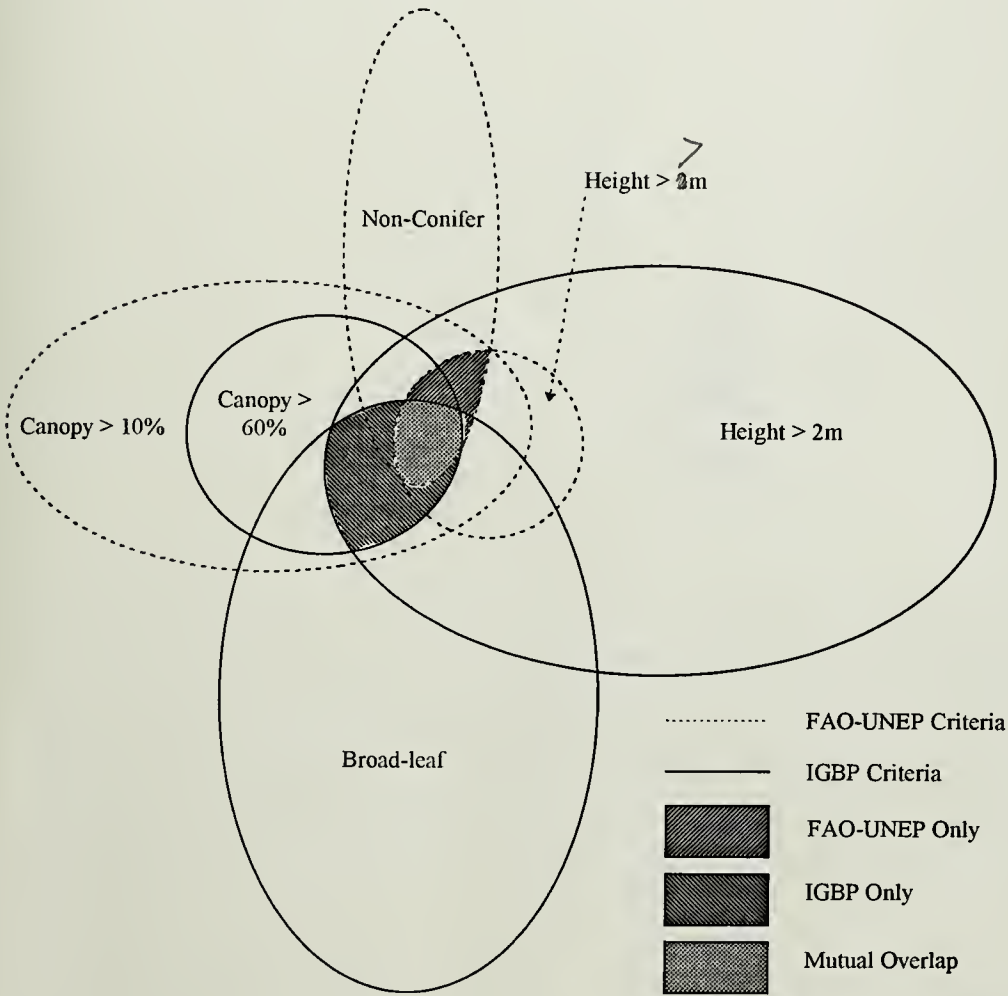
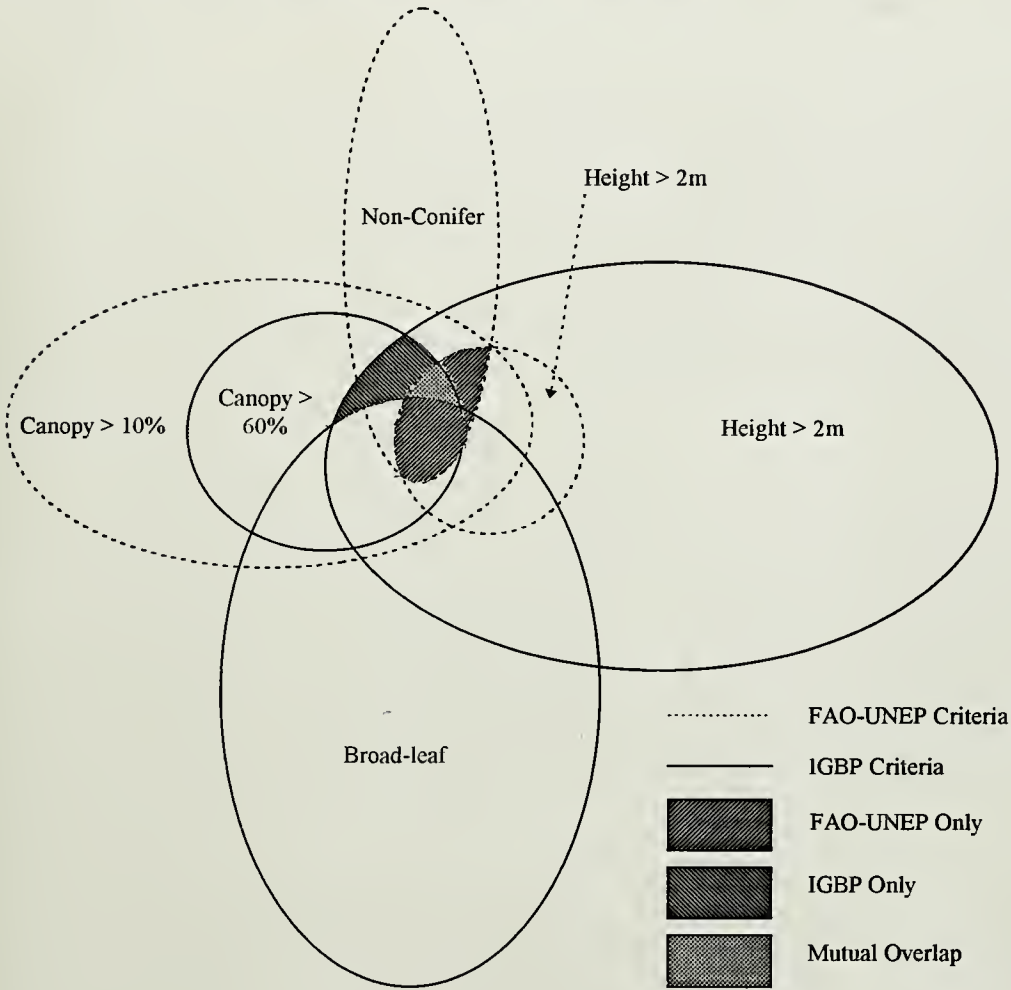


Figure 22b Correspondence between FAO-UNEP Cambodian Atlas Class ‘Evergreen Forest’ and IGBP Class ‘Evergreen Needle-leaved Forest’



From this discussion, we conclude that, in principle, it is possible, by matching key attributes of land classes in different classifications, to make *qualitative* predictions about the overlap (or potential overlap) between the classes. We have seen that class thresholds, or boundary conditions, frequently differ between classifications; consequently, translation between systems (for example, to compare estimates of land cover recorded at different times using different classifications) cannot normally be achieved without reference to the manner in which the classifications were applied to actual data. In the earlier study in the UK (Wyatt *et al.*, 1994), land cover data from two contemporary surveys were used to inter-calibrate the classifications in this way.

5.8.3.Differences in Attributes

The above discussion assumes that a common set of attributes distinguish the classes to be compared: i.e. that class differences are primarily due to differences in boundary conditions. In the case of land use systems, this is a reasonable assumption. The key attributes of land use employed in this study (land use operations, intended products / benefits, species / services

involved) are increasingly recognised as providing a common basis for distinguishing land use classes. We found it comparatively straightforward to describe land use classes on the basis of these attributes of land use, and the results of the correlation exercise presented in Annex 5 are encouraging.

For land cover, there is presently no comparably uniform approach. In practice, systems often define equivalent classes in terms of different attributes. In the previous example, one system classified evergreen forest on floristic criteria, while the second made its primary subdivision on the basis of leaf shape. Such differences in the choice of attributes used to characterise cover classes will inevitably have a detrimental effect on the results of correlation. The most likely consequence is that recall will be reduced - i.e. that the correlation will fail to identify legitimate overlap between classes because the classes were defined in terms of quite different properties. **The only effective means of addressing this difficulty is to move towards the adoption of a commonly agreed set of land cover attributes and, in Section 6, we propose a basis to achieve this objective.**

5.9. Features of the Prototype System that may Influence Correlation

5.9.1. Modular design of the System

The Land Use - Land Cover Database handles land use and land cover attributes as two distinct modules (see Figure 5). This approach has the advantage of clarity: it avoids the trap of trying to describe land cover in terms of land use, and *vice versa*. However, as presently implemented, it is not possible to run searches which combine both aspects. Consequently, *a priori* classes that include elements of both cover and use cannot be fully represented by one system alone. Correlations can be investigated separately for each aspect, as in Annexes 5 and 6, but the results are misleading, since mixed use-cover classes which appear to overlap when only one aspect is considered, are quite distinct when both land use and land cover properties are taken into account.

For example, considering only land cover characteristics, CORINE class 1.4.2 (*Sport & Leisure Facilities*), which corresponds to areas of urban grass used for recreation, is equivalent to permanently-grassed agricultural and natural areas, such as grassland classes V.A, V.B. and V.C in the UNESCO Vegetation Classification, '*Herbaceous Steppes*' in the Classification of Range and Forest Resources of Senegal, or class 140 '*Agricultural Land - Grass Crops*' in the land cover classification of the Asian Association on Remote Sensing (see Annex 6).

In terms of land use, the same CORINE class corresponds to EUROSTAT CLUSTERS class A502 (*Sports Facilities*) and to class 7.2 (*Outdoor Recreation*) in the UK Land Use Stock System, both of which include also non-vegetated areas, such as all-weather sports grounds.

Ideally, it should be possible to match *a priori* classes simultaneously in terms of both land use and land cover attributes; when other planned ecosystem module, such as soil and climate have been implemented, these should also be accessible from a common query package.

5.9.2. Design of Glossaries

Glossaries control the terminology available to identify attributes of land use and land cover in the database (see Section 4.5). The hierarchical structure of these glossaries permits classes to be defined at varying levels of detail. For example, the physiognomy of herbaceous vegetation may be described at the generic level (e.g. '*Non-woody plants*'), or, if known, by the dominant physiognomic sub-type (e.g. '*Graminoids*', '*Forbs*'). Graminoids may be further subdivided, for example:

Tufted grasses
Tussock grasses
Sedges
Reeds

The query system exploits this hierarchical structure: for example, a search on '*Graminoids*' will retrieve classes that contain the attribute 'Plant Physiology - *Graminoids*' and also classes described using the more specific terms ('*Tufted grasses*', '*Sedges*', '*Reeds*', etc). It follows that the hierarchical design of the glossary trees has a strong influence upon retrieval performance.

This is especially true in the case of the land cover glossary tree '*Vegetation Characteristics*', which contains the terminology needed to express the rules which determine the boundary conditions of land cover classes. The glossary tree contains terms which describe presence / absence, areal extent or proportional cover, or properties (e.g. height, morphology, seasonality or composition) of the characteristic vegetation. There is an implicit hierarchy in many of these properties. In particular, if a cover type is 'dominant', or 'abundant', then, by definition, it must be 'present'. Currently, this hierarchy is not reflected in the glossary structure; there are separate sub-trees concerned with proportional cover, with frequency and with presence / absence. Consequently, a class defined as one where shrubs are **dominant** is not retrieved by a search which specifies only the **presence** of shrubs. At present, this is a major cause of recall errors when correlating classes by land cover, and some re-design of the structure of the glossary trees is clearly needed.

The glossary includes a number of different scales, or ranges associated with, for example, proportional cover, frequency, height; examples are the Braun-Blanquet and the Hult-Sernander cover scales, or the Braun-Blanquet and the Hanson scales of abundance. There is no mechanism, either within the glossary itself, or in the retrieval system, to inter-relate these different scales. Let us take the example of two similar classes defined as follows:

Class A

Subset = Trees

Rule = Cover, Braun-Blanquet Cover Scale 5

Class B

Subset = Trees

Rule = Cover, Hult-Sernander Cover Scale 5

The Braun-Blanquet Cover Scale 5 corresponds to proportional cover from 75 - 100%, while Hult-Sernander is from 50 - 100%, so that Class B **includes** Class A. At present, there is no mechanism by which the system can infer this relationship. Similarly, if a class is given a specific quantitative value, there is no means of correlating it with one that has been described in terms of any of the above scales.

Certain glossary terms are either, on the one hand, equivalent or, on the other, mutually exclusive. For example, bare land can be coded as:

Subset = Earth Surface: Un-vegetated
Rule = Present

or

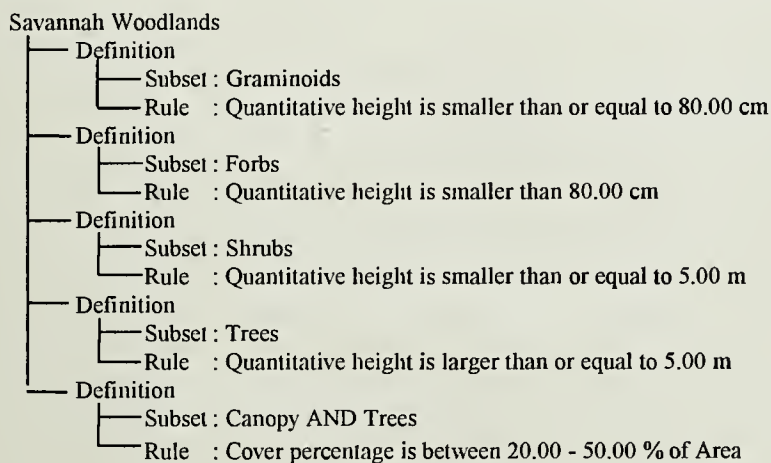
Subset = Physiognomic Plant Group: Vegetated
Rule = Absent

In the present program, either notation is permissible, but the retrieval system is incapable of recognising their equivalence. Some additional intelligence needs to be introduced into the database in order to recognise that these statements are logically identical.

5.9.3. Design of the Query System

The present Query Module does not reproduce fully the subtlety and flexibility of the land cover data model. This model allows land units to be described in terms of one or more land cover sub-sets, each of which is characterised by a definition which identifies the subset and the boundary conditions. (For example, Subset = Bare Soil, Rule = Cover > 50%).

In the query module, there is no means of constraining Boolean expressions so that a given rule is linked to a single sub-set. The following example may help to explain the problem. In the USGS map of Rangelands in Senegal, Savannah woodlands are defined as follows:



Formally, this requires the presence of:

Graminoids, less than or equal to 0.8m in height
AND
Forbs, less than 0.8m in height
AND
Shrubs, less than or equal to 5m in height
AND
Trees, greater than, or equal to 5m in height
AND
Tree canopy between 20 and 50% of area.

It is impossible to reproduce this search logic in the present system. An expression such as:

Graminoids
AND
 $\leq 0.8\text{m}$ in height
AND
...
Trees
AND
 $\geq 5\text{m}$ in height
....

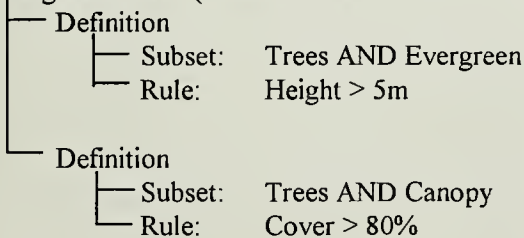
clearly introduces logical conditions that cannot be satisfied ($\leq 0.8\text{m}$ in height AND $\geq 5\text{m}$ in height). As a consequence of the mis-match between the sophistication of the data model and the crudeness of the search language, the complex queries needed to represent some land cover classes are likely both to generate false matches and to miss valid ones.

On a more practical note, there is presently no means of automatically generating a query from a class description. Instead, the query must be constructed manually, after inspecting the coded description of the class of interest. This is extremely time-consuming, and must be rectified if the system is to be put to operational use.

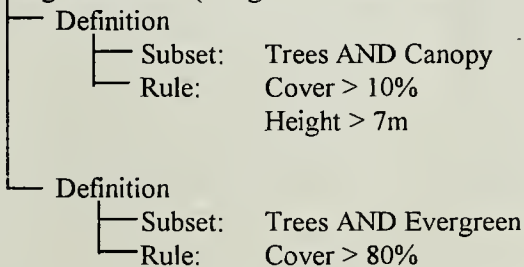
5.9.4. Differences in Interpretation

The land cover data model is an extremely flexible and sophisticated tool for recording characteristic properties of land cover. One consequence of this flexibility is that it is possible to describe the same land cover in several ways. One example, already cited is the ability to describe un-vegetated surfaces either in terms of the presence of bare substrate or in terms of the absence of vegetation. More significantly, different sub-sets may be selected by different operators to describe the same land cover unit. For example, in our analysis, evergreen forest was recorded on two separate occasions as follows:

Evergreen Forest (Cambodia Land Cover Atlas)



Evergreen Forest (Range & Forest Resources of Senegal)



In the first case, the height threshold is applied to individual objects present in the land class (trees); in the second, the height attribute is applied to the tree canopy as a whole. This

difference may reflect real differences in the published definitions associated with the two classifications. Equally, it may be a consequence of different operator practice.

One difference in implementation that was noticeable was in the degree of detail of class descriptions each operator chose to encode. Some operators included considerable qualitative information (e.g. Graminoids, Height>0.8 m, Age = Mature..... Trees, Height > 8 m, Size = Large). The problem in this approach is that it becomes increasingly unlikely that these highly detailed definitions will match with any other at the retrieval stage.

It was not possible to conduct objective tests of the consistency with which the cover coding was applied. Random inspection of the descriptions held in the database indicates that it was not a major influence on the results obtained, and that differences in the class definitions themselves were far more significant. Nevertheless, in the interests of consistency, it would be useful to draw up more prescriptive rules of precedence for the way in which the system should be used to record land cover units, especially where their definitions are complex.

6. CLASSIFICATION

6.1. The need for reference classifications and the possibility of numerous special purpose classifications.

6.2. Approaches to classification (possible use of structure, life form, taxonomic features in that order)

6.3. Recommended reference classifications (use and cover).

6.4. Guide to assist users in classifying (key, possibly as an appendix)

7. PRACTICAL APPLICATION

7.1. Identification of appropriate attributes

7.2. Adaptation to data gathering methodology

**7.3. Use in the Africover project
(Sims)**

Understanding the relationships within and between different classifications requires lengthy, methodical processing. In addition, any kind of software development requires many months, if not years, before a robust, bug-free program is available. The Africover project requires such software within a matter of a few months. Therefore, in order to save time and money, and to as far as possible maintain a common approach, it is hoped to use the program currently under development as a basis for Africover, and if at all possible, to develop only one database, which will serve all purposes. It is therefore important that the requirements of the Africover project should be set out promptly, to the extent that they can now be foreseen.

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GLOSSARY

Classification

The ordering or arrangement of objects into groups or sets on the basis of their relationships.

Classification system

A logical framework, holding the names of the classes, the criteria used to distinguish them and the relationships between classes.

Classifier:

A diagnostic criterion used to define a class.

Identification:

The process of assigning additional new unidentified objects to the correct class.

Land:

Any delineable area of the earth's surface, involving all attributes of the biosphere immediately above or below this surface, including those of the near-surface climate, the soil and terrain forms, the surface hydrology (including shallow lakes, rivers, marshes, and swamps), near-surface layers and associated ground water and geo-hydrological reserve, the plant and animal populations, the human settlement pattern and physical results of past and present human activity (terracing, water storage or drainage structures, roads, buildings, etc.).

Land classification system:

A structured collection of land class definitions

Land cover:

The observed physical cover, as seen on the ground or through remote sensing, including the vegetation (natural or planted) and human constructions (buildings, etc.) which cover the earth's surface. Water, ice, bare rock or sand, and salt flats or similar un-vegetated surfaces also comprise land cover.

Land use:

A series of operations on land, carried out by humans, with the intention to obtain products and/or benefits through using land resources.

Land use system:

A specific land use, practised during a known period on a known and contiguous area of land with reasonably uniform land characteristics.

Legend:

The application of a classification for a particular purpose, for example, for thematic mapping.

Reference Classification System:

A classification system designed to provide a framework for future use in collecting

ANNEX 1

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ANNEX 2

THE LAND USE GLOSSARY TREES

Classifiers: Context

Contains diagnostic criteria describing the land use context, which can be used to define *a-priori* land use classes, e.g. tenancy arrangement or capital intensity.

Classifiers: Operation Sequence

Contains diagnostic criteria describing the operation sequence or individual operations, which can be used to define *a-priori* land use classes, e.g. cultivation factor, cropping system, inputs used.

Gender & Age Classes

Contains classes by age for males and females that are used to specify the labour inputs as used during an operation, e.g. male adult (16-59 years) or child (<9 years).

Implement Origins

Contains sources from where (and how) the implements used to carry out operations and observations were obtained, e.g. rented, borrowed or owned.

Implements

Contains names of machines, tools, instruments, equipments and utensils, which are used to carry out an operation or observation. By definition, implements can be used more than once, in contrast to material inputs. The term implement does not refer to site-specific fixtures such as infrastructure. Examples of implements are hand tools and mechanical tools.

Infrastructures

Contains names of permanent installations constructed to assist economic activity, such as roads, irrigation or drainage works, buildings and communication systems. These installations may support the performance of a land use system.

Labour Origins

Contains the types and sources from where (and how) the labour used to carry out an operation, was obtained, e.g. land user's family.

Material Input Origins

Contains sources from where (and how) a material input used for an operation, was obtained, e.g. purchased from outside the holding, produce of another plot.

Material Inputs

Contains names of materials that may be used as input for an operation, e.g. seeds, organic manure, biocides. By definition, material inputs cannot be recovered after their use, whereas implements can leave the land use system after use.

Material Relocations

Contains sources and destinations (and relevant additional information) of materials that are added to or removed from the land use system, e.g. added to a stream, input by wind. Material relocations are related to observations on a land use system, not to land use operations.

Observation Names

Contains names of descriptions/measurements of a condition that may influence the performance of a land use system, that states its impact on the environment, or that reflects the indigenous knowledge of the land user about the land use system. Examples of observations are the Leaf Area Index (LAI) of the crop, or the occurrence of a grasshopper pest.

Operation Names

Contains names of distinct and intended management actions carried out by humans on land, e.g. harvesting, planting, collecting.

Power Sources

Contains sources of energy used to perform a land use operation, e.g. animal traction, solar energy.

Product Destination

Contains destinations (and relevant additional information) of products obtained from a land use system, e.g. sold to a trader, for own consumption.

Products/Benefits/Materials

Contains descriptions of products, benefits and materials that may be obtained from a land use system, e.g. grains, fodder, minerals.

Quality Classes

Contains classes to describe the quality of used implements, material inputs, products and benefits. Currently, this glossary tree does not contain well-defined classes, since these are often market-specific.

Skills

Contains levels of experience and expertise of labourers who carry out an operation, e.g. trainee, illiterate or experienced.

Species/services

Contains extensive lists of plants grown or animals held in a land use system, and functions of the land use system from which benefits are obtained, e.g. buckwheat, sheep, or recreation.

Tenancy Arrangements

Contains information on rights or arrangements under which the holder uses a parcel, e.g. owned, rented or traditional tenure.

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ANNEX 4 Characteristics of Land Classifications in Common Use

Author/Agency	Date	Land use	Land cover	Global	Scale				Biome			Data colln.		Output	Application							
					Continental	Regional	National	Sub-National	Tropics	Temperate	Polar	Remote Sensing/API	Ground Survey		Vegetation	Agriculture	Forestry	Urban	Arid	Conservation	Biogeog/Biodiversity	Climate Change
Acock	1953	*	*				S Africa															
Acock	1975	*	*				S Africa															
Adamec	1992	*	*																			
Adams	1992	*	*											*	*							
Agency fo Cultural Affairs etc	1969-83	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
Anderson et al	1976	*	*				USA					*	*	*	*							
Anon	1993	*	*				USA							*	*							
AUSLIG	no date	*	*		Australia									*	*							
Bailey	1989	*	*											*	*							
Bina	1993	*	*				Philippines							*	*							
BIRAS	1990	*	*			USSR								*	*							
Blasco	1988	*	*									*	*	*	*							
Blasco	1995	*	*				Kenya		*					*	*							
Blasco & Bellan	1995	*	*		Asia				*					*	*							
Bones	1993	*	*											*	*							
Brown et al	1979	*	*		N America									*	*							
CEC (CORINE)	1992	*	*		Europe									*	*							
CEC/ESA (TREES)	1991	*	*						*			*	*	*	*							
China - Bureau etc	1985	*	*				China							*	*							
Collins et al	1991	*	*		Asia/Pacif				*					*	*							
CRSSD - Sri Lanka	1999	*	*				Sri Lanka					*	*	*	*							
CWAA	1969	*	*											*	*							
DCGT, DEPU, AUA, SCU	1989	*	*				Ivory Coast	*						*	*							
De Bie (ITC)	1993	*	*											*	*							
De Bie & van Leeuwen	1994	*	*									*	*	*	*							
DeFries & Townshend	1994	*	*									*	*	*	*							
Delsol	1995	*	*				Kenya							*	*							
Devillers & Devillers-Terschuren	1993	*	*		Europe									*	*							
Driscoll et al	1981	*	*				USA							*	*							
Duhamel	1995	*	*			Europe						*	*	*	*							
ECE Std. Stat. Classification	1993	*	*		Europe									*	*							
Edwards	1983	*	*											*	*							
Eitan	1968	*	*		S America									*	*							
Environment Agency	1982 etc	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
EWGCC/ELC	1980	*	*				Canada							*	*							
Eyre	1968	*	*											*	*							
FAO	1986	*	*						*					*	*							
FAO	1980	*	*		Asia				*					*	*							
FAO	1993	*	*						*					*	*							
FAO	1994	*	*		Africa							*	*	*	*							
FAO	1995	*	*											*	*							
FAO/UNEP	1981a	*	*		America				*					*	*							
FAO/UNEP	1981b	*	*		Asia				*					*	*							
FAO/UNEP	1981c	*	*		Africa				*					*	*							
FAO/UNEP	1994	*	*				Camboodia							*	*							
Federal Stat. Office - Germany	19....	*	*				Germany							*	*							
FGDC	1995	*	*				USA							*	*							
Fontes	1995	*	*				Burkina Faso							*	*							
Fosberg	1961	*	*											*	*							
Fosberg	1967	*	*											*	*							
Fraser	1958	*	*				Pakistan							*	*							
Fuller et al	1991	*	*				Great Britain							*	*							
Geographical Survey Institute	1974	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
Geographical Survey Institute	1977	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
Geographical Survey Institute	1995	*	*									*	*	*	*							
Geographical Survey Institute	Updated	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
Geographical Survey Institute	Updated	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
German	1981	*	*				Canada	*						*	*							
Gils et al ITC-LUCC	1991	*	*									*	*	*	*							
Govt. of Indonesia	1990	*	*			Indonesia								*	*							
Goward et al	1985	*	*		N America							*	*	*	*							
Hamzaki & Micosi	1991	*	*				Japan		*			*	*	*	*							
Harcourt & Sayer	1992	*	*		Americas				*					*	*							
Holdridge	1967	*	*											*	*							
Howard & Schade	1992	*	*									*	*	*	*							
Hueck	1972	*	*		S. America									*	*							
IBGE	1993	*	*				Brazil							*	*							
IGBP-DIS	1995	*	*									*	*	*	*							
IGN France	1994	*	*											*	*							
IGU	1976	*	*											*	*							
Ihse	1978	*	*				Sweden					*	*	*	*							
Indonesia, Direct. of Land Use	1983	*	*			Indonesia								*	*							
INEGI	1994	*	*				Mexico							*	*							
Instituto Geografico etc	1963	*	*				Columbia							*	*							
ISRA	1992	*	*									*	*	*	*							

Author/Agency	Date	Land use	Land cover	Global	Continental	Scale				Biome		Remote Sensing/API	Data colln	Output		Application								
						Regional	National	Sub-National	Tropics	Temperate	Polar			Ground Survey	Census	Mapping	Statistics	Vegetation	Agriculture	Forestry	Urban	And	Conservation	Biogeog/Biodiversity
ITC	1993	*																						
IUCN	1973		*	*													*							
IUCN	1990		*																				*	
IUFRO	1992			*															*					
James et al (Times Atlas)	no date		*	*											*		*							
Japan		*					Japan																	
Justice & Kendall	1997		*		Africa				*			*						*						
Koomanoff	1989			*								*			*		*						*	
Kostrowicki	1983	*																*						
Kuchler	1949		*															*						
Kuchler	1967		*												*		*							
Kuchler & Zornesveld	1988		*	*											*		*							
Kuhnholz-Lordat	1949		*															*						
Lavena	1987		*		Africa										*		*							
LCWG of the AARS	1995		*		Asia							*					*							
Legnis & Blasco	1972		*	*								*	*		*		*							
Lloyd	1990		*									*	*		*		*							
Loveland et al	1991		*				USA					*												
Lowe et al	1994						Canada											*						
Malaysia	?	*					Malaysia																	
Matthews	1983	*	*	*											*		*							*
Millington et al	1994		*		Africa										*		*		*		*			
Min of Agric. Bhutan	1994	*	*				Bhutan		*	*		*			*	*	*	*	*	*				
MSU	1986	*	*	*											*		*							
MSU	1993		*	*											*		*							
Mucher et al	1993	*	*	*														*						
National Land Agency	1959	*						*		*		*			*		*							
National Land Agency	1970-79	*					Japan			*		*			*		*							
Nature Conservancy (USA)	1994		*				USA										*							
Olsen & Dinnerstein	in prep	*			Africa				*								*							
Olsen & Watts	1982	*	*														*							
Olsen, Watts & Allison	1982	?	*	*											*		*							
Pajmans	1975	*					Papua N G		*						*		*							
PFI	1987	*					Pakistan											*						
Pratt, Greenway & Gwynne	1966	*				E. Africa												*						
Quintanilla	1995		*				Chili		*						*		*			*				
RADMBRAZIL	1973	*	*				Brazil	*							*		*							
Remmelzwaal	1989	*	*	*														*						
Rivard et al	1990	*					Cameroon					*					*							
Running et al	1994	*	*	*			Haiti					*					*					*		
Sayer et al	1992	*	*		Africa				*						*		*		*		*			
Schultink	1992	*	*				Haiti					*					*							
Sharma	1986a	*			Asia				*						*		*							
Sharma	1986b	*	*		Asia				*						*		*							
Sharma	1988	*	*	*	Africa										*		*							
Sims	1992	*	*	*														*						
Sims	1993	*	*	*														*						
SNVCS	1994	*	*				USA											*						
Sombroek	1993	*	*	*														*						
SSP	1963	*					Pakistan											*						
Stewart	1987	*					Nepal											*		*				
Stomph & Fresco	1991	*										*			*		*	*	*	*				
Tanraker	1986	*					Nepal								*		*	*	*	*				
TER, UTI	- ? -	*	*	*			France									*								
Thailand	- ? -	*					Thailand										*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Thompson	1994	*	*			Sthm Afr			*	*					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Townshend et al	1987	*	*		S. America							*					*							
Townshend et al	1991	*	*	*								*					*							
Tucker et al	1985	*	*	*	Africa							*					*							
Udvardy	1975	*													*		*						*	
UN	1990	*	*	*													*							
UNDP/FAO	1994	*	*	*			Cambohia		*			*			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
UN-ECE/FAO	1990	*	*	*					*								*		*	*	*	*	*	*
UN-ECE/FAO	1992	*	*	*					*								*		*	*	*	*	*	*
UNESCO	1973	*	*	*											*		*							
UNESCO	1981	*	*	*	S. America										*		*							
US Geological Survey	1986	*	*	*			USA		*			*					*		*	*	*	*	*	*
US Geological Survey	nd	*	*	*			Senegal		*			*					*		*	*	*	*	*	*
Vietnam		*	*	*			Vietnam								*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Walter	1973	*	*	*											*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
WCMC	1992	*	*	*					*	*		*			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
White	1983	*	*	*	Africa				*	*		*			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Whitmore	1978	*	*	*		Malesia									*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Wyatt et al	1994	*	*	*			Great Britain					*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Yasuka	1993	*	*	*			Japan					*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

ANNEX 5

Comparison of CORINE Land Cover Classes with Eight Land Classifications on the Basis of Attributes of Land Use

CORINE LAND COVER **1 Artificial Surfaces**

CORINE LAND COVER **1 Artificial Surfaces**

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 3.1 Residential Land
- 3.2 Industrial Land, excluding Quarries, Pits, etc.
- 3.3 Land used for Quarries, Pits, Mines, etc.
- 3.4 Commercial Land
- 3.5 Land used for Public Services
- 3.7 Land used for Transport and Communication
- 3.9.1 Parks, Green Areas, etc.
- 3.9.2 Recreational Land - Camp Sites, etc.
- 3.9.3 Land under Current Construction
- 7.1.2 Artificial Watercourses

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 02215 Preparing Cut Trees for Transport
- 04310 Pumping
- 04330 Handling of Extracted Material
- 04340 Placer Mining
- 07110 Transporting by Roads
- 07120 Transporting by Rail
- 07130 Transporting by Air
- 07140 Transporting by Water
- 07151 Transporting Gas
- 07152 Transporting Oil
- 08220 Processing Food and Tobacco
- 08230 Processing Natural Fibre Felt and Leather
- 08240 Processing Rock, Stone, Clay, Sand & Gravel
- 08250 Processing Ores and Metals
- 08260 Processing Coal and Refining Petroleum
- 08270 Processing Chemicals
- 08280 Processing Wood
- 08300 Processing Processed Goods
- 08400 Assembling Products
- 08500 Storage Activities
- 09000 Commercial Activities
- 10000 Institutional Services

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- A1 Residential Areas & Public Services
- A2 Industrial Or Commercial Activities
- A311 Technical Networks and Protective Structures
- A32 Transport
- A41 Extractive Industries
- A421 Building Sites
- A422 Tips
- A502 Sports Facilities
- A503 Green or Leisure Areas

YOUNG (1994)

- 3.1 Recreation
- 3.3.3 Industrial Activities
- 3.3.4 Settlement Infrastructure

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 1 Urban Or Built-up Land

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 6.2 Landfill Waste Disposal
- 7.1 Indoor Recreation
- 7.2 Outdoor Recreation
- 8 Transport
- 9 Residential
- 10 Community Buildings
- 11.1 Industry
- 11.2 Offices
- 11.3 Retailing
- 11.6 Agricultural Buildings

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1 Urban Fabric

1.1.1 Continuous Urban

Fabric

1.1.2 Discontinuous

Urban Fabric

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1 Urban Fabric

1.2 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.1 Residential Land

3.4 Commercial Land

3.5 Land used for Public Services

3.7 Land used for Transport and Communication

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

02215 Preparing Cut Trees for Transport

07111 Transporting by Expressways (Limited Access)

07112 Provincial Highways

07113 Lower Order Rural Roads

07114 Urban Roads and Streets

07116 Associated Building and Maintaining

07118 Parking

07121 Transporting by Rail

07122 Railway Building and Maintenance

07124 Switching & Storing Transportation Equipment

07131 Landing & Taking Off (Runways) International

07132 Landing & Taking Off (Runways) Domestic

07133 Landing & Taking Off (International & Domestic)

07135 Guiding Aircraft

07140 Transporting by Water

09100 Wholesaling

09200 Retailing

09300 Providing Commercial Services

10000 Institutional Services

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

A1 Residential Areas & Public Services

A203 Commerce and Finance

A204 Agricultural Holdings

A32 Transport

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1972)

1.1 Residential

1.2 Commercial And Services

1.4 Transportation, Communications And Utilities

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

7.1 Indoor Recreation

8 Transport

9 Residential

10 Community Buildings

11.2 Offices

11.3 Retailing

11.6 Agricultural Buildings

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.1 Urban Fabric
- 1.2 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units
- 1.3 Mine, Dump And Construction Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 3.2 Industrial Land, excluding Quarries, Pits, etc.
- 3.4 Commercial Land
- 3.7 Land used for Transport and Communication

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 02215 Preparing Cut Trees for Transport
- 07110 Transporting by Roads
- 07120 Transporting by Rail
- 07130 Transporting by Air
- 07140 Transporting by Water
- 08220 Processing Food and Tobacco
- 08230 Processing Natural Fibre Felt and Leather
- 08240 Processing Rock, Stone, Clay, Sand & Gravel
- 08250 Processing Ores and Metals
- 08260 Processing Coal and Refining Petroleum
- 08270 Processing Chemicals
- 08280 Processing Wood
- 08300 Processing Processed Goods
- 08400 Assembling Products
- 08500 Storage Activities
- 09000 Commercial Activities

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- A210 Heavy Industry
- A202 Manufacturing Industry
- A203 Commerce and Finance
- A32 Transport
- A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tips, etc.

YOUNG (1994)

- 1.2 Commercial and Services
- 1.3 Industrial
- 1.4 Transportation, Communications and Utilities

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 8 Transport
- 11.1 Industry
- 11.2 Offices
- 11.3 Retailing

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2.1 Industrial or Commercial Units

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.1 Urban Fabric
- 1.2 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units
- 1.3 Mine, Dump And Construction Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 3.2 Industrial Land, excluding Quarries, Pits, etc.
- 3.4 Commercial Land

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 08220 Processing Food and Tobacco
- 08230 Processing Natural Fibre Felt and Leather
- 08240 Processing Rock, Stone, Clay, Sand & Gravel
- 08250 Processing Ores and Metals
- 08260 Processing Coal and Refining Petroleum
- 08270 Processing Chemicals
- 08280 Processing Wood
- 08300 Processing Processed Goods
- 08400 Assembling Products
- 08500 Storage Activities
- 09000 Commercial Activities

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- A210 Heavy Industry
- A202 Manufacturing Industry
- A203 Commerce and Finance
- A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tips, etc.

YOUNG (1994)

- 1.2 Commercial and Services
- 1.3 Industrial

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 11.1 Industry
- 11.2 Offices
- 11.3 Retailing

1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks & Associated Land

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.1 Urban Fabric
- 1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks and Associated Land
- 1.2.2 Port Areas
- 1.2.4 Airports

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 3.7 Land used for Transport and Communication

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 02215 Preparing Cut 'Trees for Transport
- 07110 Transporting by Roads
- 07120 Transporting by Rail
- 07130 Transporting by Air
- 07140 Transporting by Water

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- A32 Transport

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 1.4 Transportation, Communications and Utilities

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 8 Transport

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.3 Port Areas

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.3 Port Areas

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
07144 Docks and Wharves

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A32 River and Maritime Transport

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
8.5 Docks

1.2.4 Airports

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.4 Airports

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.7.3 Land under Airports & related facilities

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
07130 Transporting by Air

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A323 Airports and Aerodromes

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
8.4 Airports

1.3 Mine, Dump & Construction Sites

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.2 Dump Sites
1.3.3 Construction Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.3 Land used for Quarries, Pits, Mines, etc.
3.9.3 Land under Current Construction

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
08000 Manufacturing and Storing Activities

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A421 Building Sites
A422 Tips

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
6.2 Landfill Waste Disposal

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.1 Mineral Extraction Sites

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.1 Mineral Extraction Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.3 Land used for Quarries, Pits, Mines, etc.

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
04310 Pumping
04330 Handling of Extracted Material
04340 Placer Mining
07151 Transporting Gas
07152 Transporting Oil

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A311 Technical Networks and Protective Structures
A41 Extractive Industries

1.3.2 Dump Sites

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.2 Dump Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3 Built-up & Related Land.

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
08000 Manufacturing and Storing Activities

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A422 Tips

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
6.2 Landfill Waste Disposal

1.3.3 Construction Sites

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.3 Construction Sites

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.9.3 Land under Current Construction

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A42 Building Sites, Tips & Waste Land

1.4 Artificial Non-Agricultural Vegetated Areas
1.4.2 Sport & Leisure Facilities

CORINE LAND COVER
1.4 Artificial Non-Agricultural Vegetated Areas

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.9.1 Parks, Green Areas, etc.
3.9.2 Recreational Land - Camp Sites, etc.

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A502 Sports Facilities

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
7.2 Outdoor Recreation

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.1 Green Urban Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4 Artificial Non-Agricultural Vegetated Areas

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.9.1 Parks, Green Areas, etc.

3.9.2 Recreational Land - Camp Sites, etc.

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

A502 Sports Facilities

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

7.2 Outdoor Recreation

CORINE LAND COVER
2 Agricultural Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

2 Agricultural Areas
3.1 Forests

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

1.1 Arable Land
1.2 Land under permanent crops
1.3 Land under permanent Meadows and Pasture
2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production
2.2.1 Broadleaved Forest - Wood Production
2.3.1 Mixed Forest - Wood Production

**CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE
MONITORING**

01110 Growing Annual Tillage Crops
01120 Growing Forage Crops and Grazing
01130 Fruit and Berry Production
01140 Growing Ornamental Shrubs and Trees
01150 Sod Production
01220 Outside Animal Feeding and Holding
01280 Beekeeping and Honey Making
02110 Logging and Cutting of Trees
02120 Gathering Treeseed and Raising Seed
02140 Tapping of Maple Trees
02150 Growing Christmas Trees
02160 Holly Production
03112 Food Hunting
03120 Trapping
03140 Commercial Fishing Lakes

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

B1 Tilled And Fallow Land
B21 Temporary and Artificial Grazing
B22 Permanent Pastures and Grazings
B3 Permanent Crops
C Forests
C1 Wooded Forest Areas
C22 Other Unproductive Forestry Areas

YOUNG (1994)

1.3 Collection
2.1 Production And Multi-Purpose Forestry
2.2.1 Nomadic Grazing
2.2.2 Extensive Grazing
2.2.3 Intensive Livestock Production
2.2.5 Shifting Cultivation
2.2.6 Sedentary Cultivation: Permanent Cropping
2.2.7 Sedentary Cultivation: Temporary Cropping
2.2.8 Wetland Cultivation
2.3 Production of Fish and Related Products

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2 Agricultural Land
3 Rangeland
4 Forest Land

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

1 Agricultural Land
2 Woodland Or Forest

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

2 Biomass Production

**CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK
SYSTEM**

1.1 Field Crops
1.4 Horticulture and Orchards
1.5 Improved Pasture
2.1 Conifer Woodland
2.2 Mixed Woodland
2.3 Broadleaved Woodland
2.4 Undifferentiated Young Woodland
3.1 Unimproved Grassland

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1 Arable Land

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1 Arable Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
B11 Cereals
B12 Root and Industrial Crops
B13 Vegetables and Flowers

YOUNG (1994)
2.2.7 Sedentary Cultivation: Temporary Cropping
2.2.8 Wetland Cultivation

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)
1.1.1.1 Land under temporary crops in open air

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
1.1 Field Crops

2.1.1 Non-Irrigated Land

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1.1 Non-Irrigated Arable Land

2.1.2 Permanently Irrigated Land

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1.2 Permanently Irrigated Land

2.1.3 Rice Fields

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1.3 Rice Fields

2.2 Permanent Crops

CORINE LAND COVER
2.2 Permanent Crops
3.1 Forests

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
1.2 Land under permanent crops
2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production
2.2.1 Broadleaved Forest - Wood Production
2.3.1 Mixed Forest - Wood Production

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
02112 Cutting Sawtimber
02150 Growing Christmas Trees
02160 Holly Production

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
B36 Permanent Industrial Crops
C14 Intensively Managed Plantations
C22 Other Unproductive Forestry Areas

YOUNG (1994)
2.1.1 Management of Natural Forests
2.1.2 Management of Planted Forests
2.2.6 Sedentary Cultivation: Permanent Cropping

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
2.2 Orchards, Groves, Vineyards, Nurseries

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)
1.1.3 Land under Permanent Crops

CORINE LAND COVER

2.2.1 Vineyards

2.2.2 Fruit Trees & Berry Plantations

2.2.3 Olive Groves

2.3 Pastures

CORINE LAND COVER

2.2.1 Vineyards

CORINE LAND COVER

2.2.2 Fruit Trees and Berry Plantations

CORINE LAND COVER

2.2.3 Olive Groves

CORINE LAND COVER

2.3 Pastures

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

B21 Temporary and Artificial Grazing

B22 Permanent Pastures and Grazings

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

1.2.1 Managed grassland

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4 Heterogeneous Agricultural Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

- 2 Agricultural Areas
- 3.1 Forests

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 1.1 Arable Land
- 1.2 Land under permanent crops
- 1.3 Land under permanent Meadows and Pasture
- 2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production
- 2.2.1 Broadleaved Forest - Wood Production
- 2.3 Land Under Mixed Forest

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 01110 Growing Annual Tillage Crops
- 01120 Growing Forage Crops and Grazing
- 01130 Fruit and Berry Production
- 01140 Growing Ornamental Shrubs and Trees
- 01150 Sod Production
- 01220 Outside Animal Feeding and Holding
- 01280 Beekeeping and Honey Making
- 02110 Logging and Cutting of Trees
- 02120 Gathering Treeseed and Raising Seed
- 02140 Tapping of Maple Trees
- 02150 Growing Christmas Trees
- 02160 Holly Production
- 03112 Food Hunting
- 03120 Trapping
- 03130 Preserving Wildlife

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- B1 Tilled And Fallow Land
- B2 Areas under Grass, used for Agriculture
- B3 Permanent Crops
- C Forests
- C1 Wooded Forest Areas
- C22 Other Unproductive Forestry Areas

YOUNG (1994)

- 1.3 Collection
- 2.1 Production And Multi-Purpose Forestry
- 2.2.1 Nomadic Grazing
- 2.2.2 Extensive Grazing
- 2.2.3 Intensive Livestock Production
- 2.2.5 Shifting Cultivation
- 2.2.6 Sedentary Cultivation: Permanent Cropping
- 2.2.7 Sedentary Cultivation: Temporary Cropping
- 2.2.8 Wetland Cultivation
- 2.3 Production of Fish and Related Products

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 2 Agricultural Land
- 3 Rangeland
- 4 Forest Land

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

- 1 Agricultural Land
- 2 Woodland or Forest

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

- 2 Biomass Production

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 1.1 Field Crops
- 1.4 Horticulture and Orchards
- 1.5 Improved Pasture
- 2.1 Conifer Woodland
- 2.2 Mixed Woodland
- 2.3 Broadleaved Woodland
- 2.4 Undifferentiated Young Woodland
- 3.1 Unimproved Grassland

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns

2.4.3 Mixture of Agricultural & Natural Land

CORINE LAND COVER

2 Agricultural Areas

3.1 Forests

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

1.1 Arable Crops

1.2 Land under permanent crops

1.3 Land under Permanent Meadows and Pasture

2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production

2.2.1 Broadleaved Forest - Wood Production

2.3.1 Mixed Forest - Wood Production

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

01110 Growing Annual Tillage Crops

01120 Growing Forage Crops and Grazing

01130 Fruit and Berry Production

01140 Growing Ornamental Shrubs and Trees

01150 Sod Production

02112 Cutting Sawtimber

02150 Growing Christmas Trees

02160 Holly Production

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

B12 Root and Industrial Crops

B13 Vegetables and Flowers

B21 Temporary and Artificial Grazing

B22 Permanent Pastures and Grazing

B3 Permanent Crops

C14 Intensively Managed Plantations

C22 Other Unproductive Forestry Areas

YOUNG (1994)

2.1 Production and Multi-Purpose Forestry

2.2.5 Shifting Cultivation

2.2.6 Sedentary Cultivation: Permanent Cropping

2.2.7 Sedentary Cultivation: Temporary Cropping

2.2.8 Wetland Cultivation

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.2 Orchards, Groves, Vineyards, Nurseries

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

1.1.1.1 Land Under Temporary Crops in Open Air

1.1.1.2 Land Under Temporary Meadows

1.1.3 Land Under Permanent Crops

1.2.1 Managed Grassland

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

2.1.2 Introduced Natural Perennial Cover

2.1.3 Introduced Natural Annual Cover

2.1.4 Introduced Natural Cover - Annual-Fallow

2.1.5 Introduced Natural Cover - Annual-Perennial

2.1.6 Primary Production Under Artificial Cover

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.1 Field Crops

1.4 Horticulture and Orchards

1.5 Improved Pasture

2.4.4 Agroforestry Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4.4 Agroforestry Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

3 Forests & Semi-Natural Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

- 2.1 Arable Land
- 2.2 Permanent Crops
- 2.4.1 Annual Crops associated with Permanent Crops
- 3 Forests And Semi-Natural Areas
- 4.1 Inland Wetlands
- 4.2.1 Salt Marshes

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 1.2 Land under permanent crops
- 2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production
- 2.2.1 Broadleaved Forest - Wood Production
- 2.3.1 Mixed Forest - Wood Production
- 4 Wet Open Land
- 5 Dry Open Land with Special Vegetation
- 6 Open Land Without Significant Vegetation
- 7.2 Tidal Waters

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 01110 Growing Annual Tillage Crops
- 01140 Growing Ornamental Shrubs and Trees
- 01150 Sod Production
- 02110 Logging and Cutting of Trees
- 02120 Gathering Treeseed and Raising Seed
- 02140 Tapping of Maple Trees
- 02150 Growing Christmas Trees
- 02160 Holly Production
- 12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- B1 Tilled and Fallow Land
- B3 Permanent Crops
- C1 Wooded Forest Areas
- C22 Other Unproductive Forestry Areas
- D Bush Or Herbaceous Areas
- E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation
- F1 Wet Surfaces

YOUNG (1994)

- 1.1 Not Used
- 1.3.1 Collection of Plant Products
- 1.3.3 Collection of Plant and Animal Products
- 2.1 Production And Multi-Purpose Forestry
- 2.2.5 Shilling Cultivation
- 2.2.6 Sedentary Cultivation: Permanent Cropping
- 2.2.7 Sedentary Cultivation: Temporary Cropping
- 2.2.8 Wetland Cultivation

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 2.2 Orchards, Groves, Vineyards, Nurseries
- 3 Rangeland
- 4 Forest Land
- 5.4 Bays And Estuaries
- 6 Wetland
- 7.1 Dry Salt Flats
- 7.2 Beaches
- 7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches
- 7.4 Bare Exposed Rock
- 8 Tundra
- 9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

- 1.1.1.1 Land Under Temporary Crops in Open Air
- 1.1.2 Land Under Protective Cover
- 1.1.3 Land Under Permanent Crops
- 1.2.2 Natural grassland
- 2 Woodland or Forest
- 3 Unused and Undeveloped Land

CORINE LAND COVER
3 Forests & Semi-
Natural Areas

3.1 Forests
3.1.1 Broadleaved Forest
3.1.2 Coniferous Forest
3.1.3 Mixed Forest

3.2 Shrub / Herbaceous
Vegetation Associations
3.2.1 Natural Grassland
3.2.2 Moors & Heathland
3.2.3 Sclerophyllous
Vegetation
3.2.4 Transitional Woodland
/ Scrub

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)
1 Unused
2.1.1 Natural Biomass Extraction
2.1.6 Primary Production Under Artificial Cover

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK
SYSTEM

- 1.1 Field Crops
- 1.2 Ploughed Fields
- 1.3 Fallow Land
- 1.4 Horticulture and Orchards
- 1.6 Field Margins
- 2.1 Conifer Woodland
- 2.2 Mixed Woodland
- 2.3 Broadleaved Woodland
- 2.4 Undifferentiated Young Woodland
- 2.5 Scrub
- 2.6 Felled Woodland
- 3 Unimproved Grassland and Heathland
- 4.1 Sea / Estuary
- 4.4 Freshwater Marsh
- 4.5 Salt Marsh
- 4.6 Bog
- 5 Rock And Coastal Land
- 12.2 Derelict Land
- 12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

- 3.1 Forests

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 2.1.1 Coniferous Forest for Wood Production

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- C14 Intensively Managed Plantations

CORINE LAND COVER

- 3.2 Shrub/Herbaceous Vegetation Associations
- 4.1 Inland Wetlands
- 4.2.1 Salt Marshes

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 4 Wet Open Land
- 5 Dry Open Land With Special Vegetation

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- D Bush Or Herbaceous Areas
- F1 Wet Surfaces

ANDERSON ET AL. (1976)

- 6 Wetland
- 8.1 Shrub And Brush Tundra
- 8.2 Herbaceous Tundra
- 8.4 Wet Tundra

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK
SYSTEM

- 1.6 Field Margins
- 2.5 Scrub
- 3.2 Heathland
- 3.3 Bracken
- 4.4 Freshwater Marsh
- 4.5 Salt Marsh
- 4.6 Bog
- 5.4 Dunes

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces with little or no Vegetation

3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains

3.3.2 Bare Rocks

3.3.3 Sparsely Vegetated Areas

3.3.4 Burnt Areas

3.3.5 Glaciers & Permanent Snowfields

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces With little or no Vegetation

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

6 Open Land Without Significant Vegetation

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

01190 Other

12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

B14 Fallow Land, Including Green Manure

E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation

F101 Bogs & Marshes

F103 Other Wet Areas

F301 Estuaries And Lagoons

YOUNG *ET AL.* (1996)

1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

5.4 Bays And Estuaries

7.1 Dry Salt Flats

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

8 Tundra

8.3 Bare Ground Tundra

9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused and Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

1 Unused

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land

4.1 Sea / Estuary

5 Rock And Coastal Land

12 Vacant Land

12.2 Derelict Land

12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

4 Wetlands

CORINE LAND COVER

- 3.2 Shrub/Herbaceous Vegetation Associations
- 3.3 Open Spaces With little or no Vegetation
- 4 Wetlands
- 5 Water Bodies
- 5.1 Inland Waters
- 5.1.2 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

- 3.9 Recreational And Other Land
- 4 Wet Open Land
- 5 Dry Open Land With Special Vegetation
- 6 Open Land Without Significant Vegetation
- 7.1.2 Artificial Watercourses

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

- 04262 Mining Salt
- 12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

- A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tips, etc.
- D Bush Or Herbaceous Areas
- E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation
- F1 Wet Surfaces

YOUNG *ET AL.* (1996)

- 1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 5.4 Bays And Estuaries
- 6 Wetland
- 7.1 Dry Salt Flats
- 7.2 Beaches
- 7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches
- 7.4 Bare Exposed Rock
- 8 Tundra
- 9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

- 3 Unused and Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

- 1 Unused

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

- 1.3 Fallow Land
- 1.6 Field Margins
- 2.5 Scrub
- 3 Unimproved Grassland and Heathland
- 3.2 Heathland
- 3.3 Bracken
- 4 Water And Wetland
- 5 Rock And Coastal Land
- 12.2 Derelict Land
- 12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

4.1 InlandWetlands

4.1.1 Inland Marshes

4.1.2 Peat Bogs

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2 Shrub/Herbaceous Vegetation Associations

4.1 Inland Wetlands

4.2.1 Salt Marshes

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

4 Wet Open Land

5 Dry Open Land With Special Vegetation

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

D Bush Or Herbaceous Areas

F1 Wet Surfaces

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

6 Wetland

8.1 Shrub And Brush Tundra

8.2 Herbaceous Tundra

8.4 Wet Tundra

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.6 Field Margins

2.5 Scrub

3.2 Heathland

3.3 Bracken

4.4 Freshwater Marsh

4.5 Salt Marsh

4.6 Bog

5.4 Dunes

CORINE LAND COVER
4.2 Maritime Wetlands

CORINE LAND COVER
3.2 Shrub/Herbaceous Vegetation Associations
3.3 Open Spaces With Little Or No Vegetation
4 Wetlands
5 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE
3.9 Recreational And Other Land
4 Wet Open Land
5 Dry Open Land With Special Vegetation
6 Open Land Without Significant Vegetation

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING
04262 Mining Salt
12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS
A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tips, etc.
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E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation
F1 Wet Surfaces

YOUNG, (1994)
1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
5.4 Bays And Estuaries
6 Wetland
7.1 Dry Salt Flats
7.2 Beaches
7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches
7.4 Bare Exposed Rock
8 Tundra
9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)
3 Unused And Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)
1 Unused

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM
1.3 Fallow Land
1.6 Field Margins
2.5 Scrub
3 Unimproved Grassland And Heathland
3.2 Heathland
3.3 Bracken
4 Water And Wetland
5 Rock And Coastal Land
12.2 Derelict Land
12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

4.2.1 Salt Marshes

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2 Shrub/Herbaceous Vegetation Associations

4.1 Inland Wetlands

4.2 Maritime Wetlands

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

4 Wet Open Land

5 Dry Open Land with Special Vegetation

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

D Bush Or Herbaceous Areas

F1 Wet Surfaces

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

6 Wetland

8.1 Shrub And Brush Tundra

8.2 Herbaceous Tundra

8.4 Wet Tundra

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.6 Field Margins

2.5 Scrub

3.2 Heathland

3.3 Bracken

4.4 Freshwater Marsh

4.5 Salt Marsh

4.6 Bog

5.4 Dunes

4.2.2 Salines

CORINE LAND COVER

4.2.2 Salines

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

04262 Mining Salt

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3.2 Bare Rocks

3.3.5 Glaciers and Permanent Snowfields

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

6 Open Land Without Significant Vegetation

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation

YOUNG, (1994)

1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

7.1 Dry Salt Flats

7.2 Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused and Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)

1 Unused

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land

5.1 Inland Rock

5.2 Coastal Rocks and Cliffs

5.3 Inter-Tidal Sand and Mud

12.2 Derelict Land

12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

5 Water Bodies

5.1 Inland Waters

5.1.1 Water Courses

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces With Little Or No Vegetation

4.1.2 Peat Bogs

5 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.9 Recreational and other Land

6 Open Land without Significant Vegetation

7.1.2 Artificial Watercourses

7.1.4 Artificial Water Impoundment

7.2 Tidal Waters

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE

MONITORING

04220 Extraction Of Water

07142 Travelling By Canal

12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

A324 River And Maritime Transport

A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tps, etc.

E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation

F1 Wet Surfaces

YOUNG, (1994)

1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

5.4 Bays And Estuaries

7.1 Dry Salt Flats

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

8.3 Bare Ground Tundra

9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused And Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER *ET AL.* (1993)

1 Unused

4 Non-Biological Extraction

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land

4.1 Sea / Estuary

4.2 Standing Water

4.3 Running Water

5 Rock And Coastal Land

12.2 Derelict Land

12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

5 Water Bodies

5.1 Inland Waters

5.1.1 Water Courses

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces With Little Or No Vegetation

4.1.2 Peat Bogs

5 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.9 Recreational and other Land

6 Open Land without Significant Vegetation

7.1.2 Artificial Watercourses

7.1.4 Artificial Water Impoundment

7.2 Tidal Waters

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

04220 Extraction Of Water

07142 Travelling By Canal

12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

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YOUNG, (1994)

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ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

5.4 Bays And Estuaries

7.1 Dry Salt Flats

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

8.3 Bare Ground Tundra

9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused And Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)

1 Unused

4 Non-Biological Extraction

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land

4.1 Sea / Estuary

4.2 Standing Water

4.3 Running Water

5 Rock And Coastal Land

12.2 Derelict Land

12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER
5.1.2 Inland Water Bodies

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3 Open Spaces With Little Or No Vegetation
4.2 Maritime Wetlands
5 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.9 Recreational and other Land
6 Open Land without Significant Vegetation
7.1.2 Artificial Watercourses
7.1.4 Artificial Water Impoundment
7.2 Tidal Waters

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

04220 Extraction Of Water
12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

A4 Extractive Industry, Building Sites, Tps, etc.
E Surfaces With Little Or No Vegetation
F1 Wet Surfaces

YOUNG, (1994)

1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

5.4 Bays And Estuaries
7.1 Dry Salt Flats
7.2 Beaches
7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches
7.4 Bare Exposed Rock
8.3 Bare Ground Tundra
9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused And Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)

1 Unused
4 Non-Biological Extraction

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land
4.1 Sea / Estuary
4.2 Standing Water
4.3 Running Water
5 Rock And Coastal Land
12.2 Derelict Land
12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

CORINE LAND COVER

5.2 Marine Waters

5.2.1 Coastal Lagoons

5.2.2 Estuaries

5.2.3 Sea & Ocean

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces With Little Or No Vegetation

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

5 Water Bodies

UN/ECE STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION OF LAND USE

3.9.4 Land For Future Construction

6 Open Land without Significant Vegetation

7.1.1 Natural Watercourses

7.2 Tidal Waters

CANADIAN LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FOR LAND USE MONITORING

01190 Other

12000 Unused Idle Land

EUROSTAT - CLUSTERS

A423 Waste Land Through Human Activities

E03 Burned Areas

F101 Bogs & Marshes

F103 Other Wet Areas

F301 Estuaries And Lagoons

YOUNG, (1994)

1.1 Not Used

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

5.4 Bays And Estuaries

7.1 Dry Salt Flats

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas Other Than Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

8.3 Bare Ground Tundra

9 Perennial Snow Or Ice

FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANISATION (1990)

3 Unused And Undeveloped Land

MÜCHER ET AL. (1993)

1 Unused

CLASSIFICATION FOR UK NATIONAL LAND USE STOCK SYSTEM

1.3 Fallow Land

4.1 Sea / Estuary

4.2 Standing Water

4.3 Running Water

5 Rock And Coastal Land

12.2 Derelict Land

12.3 Vacant Land Previously Developed

ANNEX 6

Comparison of CORINE Land Cover Classes with Eight Land Classifications on the Basis of Attributes of Land Cover

CORINE LAND COVER

1 Artificial Surfaces

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Herbaceous Steppes
Urban and quarries
Primary paved roads
Earth roads
Railroads

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

IV.D.1 Mainly Bryophyte Tundra
V.A.4 Tall Grassland & Woody *Synusia* of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Urban and Built-up

CORINE LAND COVER

1 Artificial Surfaces
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas
3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

1 Urban or Built-up Land
2.4 Other Agricultural Land
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

1 Urban/City
23 Flooded Grass

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

212 Built-up Area

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1 Urban Fabric

1.2.1 Industrial or Commercial Units

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Urban and quarries

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Urban and Built-up

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1 Urban Fabric

1.2.1 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units

1.2.3 Port Areas

1.2.4 Airports

1.3.3 Construction Sites

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

1.1 Residential

1.2 Commercial & Services

1.3 Industrial

1.5 Industrial & Commercial Complexes

1.6 Mixed Urban or Built-up Land

1.7 Other Urban or Built-up Land

2.4 Other Agricultural Land

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

1 Urban/City

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

212 Built-up Area

1.1.1 Continuous Urban Fabric

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1.1 Continuous Urban Fabric

1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric

1.2 Industrial, Commercial & Transport Units

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Urban and quarries

Primary paved roads

Earth roads

Railroads

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Urban and Built-up

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1 Urban Fabric

1.2 Industrial, Commercial and Transport Units

1.3.3 Construction Sites

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

1 Urban or Built-up Land

2.4 Other Agricultural Land

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

1 Urban/City

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

212 Built-up Area

CORINE LAND COVER
**1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks
& Associated Land**

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Primary paved roads
Earth roads
Railroads

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.2 Road & Rail Networks & Associated Land

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
1.4 Transportation, Communications & Utilities

1.2.3 Port Areas

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.3 Port Areas

1.2.4 Airports

CORINE LAND COVER
1.2.4 Airports

**1.3 Mine, Dump &
Construction Sites**

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Urban and quarries

CORINE LAND COVER
1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.2.4 Airports
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
1.4 Artificial, Non-agricultural Vegetated Areas
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
4 Wetlands
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

**1.3.1 Mineral Extraction
Sites**

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Urban and quarries

CORINE LAND COVER
1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

1.3.2 Dump Sites

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Urban and quarries

CORINE LAND COVER
1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.2.4 Airports
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
6.1 Forested Wetland

CORINE LAND COVER
1.3.3 Construction Sites

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Urban and quarries

CORINE LAND COVER
1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.3.3 Construction Sites

**1.4 Artificial non-
Agricultural Vegetated Areas**
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Herbaceous Steppes

**UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION**

IV.D Tundra
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grassland & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2.4 Airports
1.4 Artificial, Non-agricultural Vegetated Areas
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

23 Flooded Grass

**1.4.2 Sport & Leisure
Facilities**

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Herbaceous Steppes

**UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION**

V.A Tall Graminoid Vegetation
V.B. Medium Tall Grassland
V.C.7 Short to Medium Tall Mesophytic Grassland

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

V. Herbaceous

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Grassland
Mixed Herbaceous Vegetation

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.2 Sport & Leisure Facilities
2.3 Pastures

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
21 Grasslands
22 Grass Savannah
24 Abandoned Rice Fields

**LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING**

140 Agricultural Land - Grass Crops

CORINE LAND COVER
2 Agricultural Areas

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Herbaceous Steppes

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

IV.D Tundra
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grass. & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland
Garden

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'
Croplands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.2.4 Airports
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1 Arable Land
2.1.3 Rice Fields
2.2 Permanent Crops
2.3.1 Pastures
2.4.1 Annual Crops Associated with Permanent Crops
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas
3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures
2.2 Orchards, Groves, Vineyards, Nurseries etc.
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
4 Upland Crops
5 Swidden Agriculture
6 Orchards
8 Field Crops
23 Flooded Grass

2.1 Arable Land

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
Garden

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'
Croplands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1 Arable Land
2.1.3 Rice Fields
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
4 Upland Crops
5 Swidden Agriculture
8 Field Crops

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1.1 Non-irrigated Land
2.1.2 Permanently Irrigated Land

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA
Garden

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'
Croplands

CORINE LAND COVER
1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1 Arable Land
3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains
4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
2.1 Cropland & Pastures
7.1 Dry Salt Flats

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS
2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
4 Upland Crops
5 Swidden Agriculture
7 Plantation

2.1.3 Rice Fields

CORINE LAND COVER
2.1.3 Rice Fields

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS
2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields

2.2 Permanent Crops

CORINE LAND COVER
2.2 Permanent Crops

2.2.1 Vineyards

CORINE LAND COVER
2.2.1 Vineyards

2.2.2 Fruit Trees & Berry Plantations

CORINE LAND COVER
2.2.1 Vineyards

2.2.3 Olive Groves

CORINE LAND COVER
2.2.3 Olive Groves

CORINE LAND COVER
2.3 Pastures

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL
Herbaceous Steppes

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

IV.D Tundra
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grass, & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2.4 Airports
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.3.1 Pastures
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

23 Flooded Grass

**2.4 Heterogeneous
Agricultural Areas**

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Garden

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Croplands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1 Arable Land
2.2 Permanent Crops
2.4.1 Annual Crops Associated with Permanent Crops
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures
2.2 Orchards, Groves, Vineyards, Nurseries etc.

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
4 Upland Crops
5 Swidden Agriculture
6 Orchards
8 Field Crops

**2.4.1 Annual Crops
Associated with Permanent
Crops**

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4.1 Annual Crops Associated with Permanent Crops

**2.4.2 Complex Cultivation
Patterns**

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns

CORINE LAND COVER
2.4.3 Land Principally
Agricultural with Significant
Areas of Natural Vegetation

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION

V.E Hydromorphic Fresh-Water Vegetation (aquatic)

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Pioneer Vegetation

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.1.2 Discontinuous Urban Fabric
- 2.4.1 Annual Crops Associated with Permanent Crops
- 2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
- 2.4.3 Land Principally Agricultural with Significant Areas of Natural Vegetation
- 3.2.2 Moors & Heathland
- 3.3 Open Spaces with Little or no Vegetation
- 4.1.2 Peat Bogs

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 1.1 Residential
- 1.2 Commercial & Services
- 1.3 Industrial
- 1.5 Industrial & Commercial Complexes
- 1.6 Mixed Urban or Built-up Land
- 1.7 Other Urban or Built-up Land
- 3 Rangeland
- 8.5 Mixed Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

20 Swamps

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING

- 10 Vegetation
- 174 Swamp
- 180 Tundra
- 196 Semi-desert

2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas

CORINE LAND COVER

2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas

CORINE LAND COVER
3. Forests & Semi-Natural
Areas

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION

I Closed Forest
II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic woodland
IV.D Tundra
IV.E Mossy Bog Formations with Dwarf-Shrub
V.A Tall Graminoid Vegetation
V.B. Medium Tall Grassland
V.C. Short Grassland
V.D Forb Vegetation

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

Tree Dominated
Shrub Dominated
Herb Dominated V. Herbaceous
Herb Dominated VI. Non-Vascular Dominated

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Forest
Grassland
Mixed Herbaceous Vegetation

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Grasslands
Snow and Ice
Barren

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.2 Sport & Leisure Facilities
3 Forests and Semi-Natural Areas

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

3.1 Rangeland
4 Forest Land
6.2 Non-forested Wetland
7.2 Beaches
7.3 Sandy Areas other than Beaches
7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

19 Abandoned Shrublands
21 Grasslands
22 Grass Savannah
24 Abandoned Grasslands
25 Marches

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING

140 Agricultural Land - Grass Crops
198 Rocks
210 Perennial Snow or Ice

CORINE LAND COVER

3.1 Forests

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

- I.A.2a Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal lowland forest
- I.A.2b Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal submontane forest
- I.A.2c Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal montane forest
- I.B.3 Cold-deciduous forest without evergreen trees
- I.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic forest
- II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic woodland

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

- I. Closed Tree Canopy
- II.A Open canopy, evergreen
- II.B Open canopy, deciduous
- II.C.1 Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous tropical and subtropical
- II.C.1 Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous broad-leaved
- II.C.1 Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous needle-leaved

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

- Small-crowned lowland hill forest
- Coniferous lower montane forest
- Dry evergreen forest

CORINE LAND COVER

3.1 Forests

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 4.1 Deciduous Forest Land
- 4.2 Evergreen Forest Land

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 22 Grass Savannah

3.1.1 Broad-leaved Forest

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

- I.A.2a Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal lowland forest
- I.A.2b(1) Tropical/subtropical broadleaved evergreen seasonal submontane forest
- I.A.2c Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal montane forest

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

- I.A.1. Closed canopy evergreen tropical rain forests
- I.A.2. Closed canopy tropical and subtropical seasonal forests
- I.A.3. Closed canopy evergreen subtropical broad-leaved rainforest
- I.A.5. Closed canopy evergreen temperate and subpolar broad-leaved rain forest
- I.A.6. Closed canopy evergreen temperate seasonal broad-leaved
- I.A.7. Closed canopy winter-rain, broad-leaved sclerophyllous canopy
- I.C.2. Closed canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous broad-leaved
- II.A.1. Open canopy evergreen broad-leaved
- II.C.2. Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous broad-leaved

CORINE LAND COVER

3.1.1 Broad-leaved Forest

3.1.2 Coniferous Forest

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

- I.A.2b(2) Tropical/subtropical needle-leaved evergreen seasonal submontane forest

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

- I.A.8. Closed canopy evergreen tropical and subtropical needle-leaved
- I.A.9. Closed canopy evergreen temperate and subpolar needle-leaved
- I.C.3 Closed canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous needle-leaved
- II.A.2. Open canopy evergreen needle-leaved
- II.C.3 Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous needle-leaved
- II.C.4 Open canopy mixed evergreen-deciduous cold deciduous needle-leaved

CORINE LAND COVER

3.1.2 Coniferous Forest

3.1.3 Mixed Forest

CORINE LAND COVER

3.1.3 Mixed Forest

CORINE LAND COVER
3.2 Shrub and/or Herbaceous
Vegetation Associations

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION

IV.D Tundra
IV.E Mossy Bog Formations with Dwarf-Shrub
V.A Tall Graminoid Vegetation
V.B. Medium Tall Grassland
V.C. Short Grassland
V.D Forb Vegetation

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

Shrub Dominated
Herb Dominated

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Grassland
Mixed Herbaceous Vegetation

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL IKM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Grasslands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.2 Sport & Leisure Facilities
3.2 Shrub and/or Herbaceous Vegetation Associations

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

3.1 Herbaceous Rangeland
6.2 Nonforested Wetland

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

19 Abandoned Shrublands
21 Grasslands
22 Grass Savannah
24 Abandoned Grasslands

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING

140 Agricultural Land - Grass Crops

3.2.1 Natural Grassland

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION

IV.D Tundra
IV.E Mossy Bog Formations with Dwarf-Shrub
V.A Tall Graminoid Vegetation
V.B. Medium Tall Grassland
V.C.7 Short to Medium Tall Mesophytic Grassland
V.D Forb Vegetation

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

Herb Dominated

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Grassland
Mixed Herbaceous Vegetation

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL IKM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Grasslands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.4.2 Sport & Leisure Facilities
3.2.1 Natural Grassland

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

3.1 Herbaceous Rangeland
6.2 Non-forested Wetland

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

21 Grasslands
22 Grass Savannah
24 Abandoned Grasslands

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING

140 Agricultural Land - Grass Crops

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2.2 Moors & Heathland

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

V.D Forb Vegetation

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

Shrub Dominated

Herb Dominated

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Mixed Herbaceous Vegetation

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2.2 Moors & Heathland

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

19 Abandoned Shrublands

3.2.3 Sclerophyllous Vegetation

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

I.A.5 Mangrove Forest

I.A.8 Winter-rain Evergreen Broad-leaved Sclerophyllous Forest

II.A.1 Evergreen Broad-leaved Woodland

II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic woodland

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2.3 Sclerophyllous Vegetation

3.2.4 Transitional Woodland / Scrub

CORINE LAND COVER

3.2.4 Transitional Woodland / Scrub

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

22 Grass Savannah

3.3 Open Spaces with little or no Vegetation

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Snow and Ice

Barren

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3 Open Spaces with little or no Vegetation

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas other than Beaches

7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

25 Marches

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

198 Rocks

210 Perennial Snow or Ice

3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains

CORINE LAND COVER

3.3.1 Beaches, Dunes & Sand Plains

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

7.2 Beaches

7.3 Sandy Areas other than Beaches

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3.2 Bare Rocks

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'
Barren

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
3.3.3 Sparsely Vegetated Areas

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)
7.4 Bare Exposed Rock

**LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING**
198 Rocks

**3.3.3 Sparsely Vegetated
Areas**

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3.3 Sparsely Vegetated Areas

3.3.4 Burnt Areas

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3.4 Burnt Areas

**3.3.5 Glaciers & Permanent
Snow**

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'
Snow and Ice

CORINE LAND COVER
3.3.5 Glaciers & Permanent Snow

**LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING**
210 Perennial Snow or Ice

CORINE LAND COVER
4 Wetlands

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Herbaceous Steppes
Urban and quarries

**UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION**

I.A.2a Tropical/Subtropical Evergreen Seasonal Lowland Forest
I.A.2c Tropical/Subtropical Evergreen Seasonal Montane Forest
I.A.2d Tropical/Subtropical Evergreen Dry Sub-alpine Forest
I.A.6 Temperate/Sub-polar Evergreen Ombrophilous Forest
I.A.7 Temperate Evergreen Seasonal Broad-leaved Forest
I.B.3 Cold-deciduous Forest without Evergreen Trees
I.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated Extremely Xeromorphic Forest
II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated Extremely Xeromorphic Woodland
IV.A.3 Mixed Evergreen Dwarf-shrub and Herbaceous Formations
IV.C Extremely Xeromorphic Dwarf-Shrubland
IV.D Tundra
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grassland & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)
V.E Hydromorphic Fresh-Water Vegetation (Aquatic)

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

F. Hydromorphic Rooted Vegetation
VI.A.1 Herbaceous Non-Vascular Dominated Bryoid Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.A.2 Herbaceous Non-Vascular Dominated Bryoid Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B.1 Herbaceous Non-Vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.B.2 Herbaceous Non-Vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B.3 Herbaceous Non-Vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Dwarf Shrub Layer

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL IKM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Woody Savannas
Savannas
Permanent Wetlands
Developed Lands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2.3 Port Areas
1.2.4 Airports
1.3 Mine, Dump and Construction Sites
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1.3 Rice Fields
2.3 Pastures
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas
3.2.4 Transitional Woodland/Scrub
3.3.2 Bare Rocks
4 Wetlands
5.1.2 Water Bodies
5.2 Marine Waters

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures
3.3 Mixed Rangeland
5.2 Lakes
5.3 Reservoirs
5.4 Bays & Estuaries
7.1 Dry Salt Flats
8.2 Herbaceous Tundra
8.4 Wet Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
14 Flooded Forest
16 Mangrove Forest
23 Flooded Grass

CORINE LAND COVER
4 Wetlands

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING

170 Wetland
220 Water

4.1 Inland Wetlands

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Herbaceous Steppes

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF
VEGETATION

I.A.2a Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal lowland Forest
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I.A.6 Temperate & Sub-polar Evergreen Ombrophilous Forest
I.A.7 Temperate Evergreen Seasonal Broad-leaved Forest
I.B.3 Cold-deciduous Forest without Evergreen Trees
I.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely Xeromorphic Forest
II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely Xeromorphic Woodland
IV.A.3 Mixed Evergreen Dwarf-shrub and Herbaceous Formations
IV.C Extremely Xeromorphic Dwarf-Shrubland
IV.D Tundra
IV.E Mossy Bog Formations with Dwarf-Shrub
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grassland & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)
V.E Hydromorphic Fresh-Water Vegetation (aquatic)

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

V.F Hydromorphic rooted vegetation
VI.A.1 Non-Vascular Dominated: Bryoid Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.A.2 Non-Vascular Dominated: Bryoid Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B.1 Non-Vascular Dominated: Lichen Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.B.2 Non-Vascular Dominated: Lichen Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B.3 Non-Vascular Dominated: Lichen Vegetation with Dwarf Shrub Layer

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Savanna
Grassland

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Woody Savannas
Savannas
Permanent Wetlands
Developed Lands

CORINE LAND COVER

1.2.3 Port Areas
1.2.4 Airports
1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
2.1.3 Rice Fields
2.3 Pastures
2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas
3.2.4 Transitional Woodland/Scrub
4.1 Inland Wetlands
5.1.2 Water Bodies
5.2 Marine Waters

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

2.1 Cropland & Pastures
2.3 Confined Feeding Operations
5.2 Lakes
5.3 Reservoirs
5.4 Bays & Estuaries
8.2 Herbaceous Tundra
8.3 Wet Tundra

CORINE LAND COVER

4.1 Inland Wetlands

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

2 Paddy Fields
3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
14 Flooded Forest
16 Mangrove Forest
23 Flooded Grass

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

170 Wetland
222 Inland Water

4.1.1 Inland Marshes

CORINE LAND COVER

4.1.1 Inland Marshes

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

14 Flooded Forest
15 Secondary Flooded Forest
23 Flooded Grass

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

224 Water with Seasonal Change

4.1.2 Peat Bogs

RANGE & FOREST RESOURCES OF SENEGAL

Herbaceous Steppes

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

I.A.2a Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal lowland forest
I.A.2c Tropical/subtropical evergreen seasonal montane forest
I.A.2d Tropical/subtropical evergreen dry sub-alpine forest
I.A.6 Temperate/Sub-polar Evergreen Ombrophilous Forest
I.A.7 Temperate Evergreen Seasonal Broad-leaved Forest
I.B.3 Cold-deciduous forest without evergreen trees
I.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic forest
II.C.1 Sclerophyllous-dominated extremely xeromorphic woodland
IV.A.3 Mixed Evergreen Dwarf-shrub and herbaceous formations
IV.C Extremely Xeromorphic Dwarf-Shrubland
IV.D Tundra
IV.E Mossy Bog Formations with Dwarf-Shrub
V.A.3 Tall Grassland & Synusia of Shrubs
V.A.4 Tall Grassland & Woody Synusia of Tuft Plants
V.B.3 Medium Tall Grassland (3)
V.C.3 Short Grassland (3)
V.C.4 Short Grassland (4)

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

F Hydromorphic rooted vegetation
VI.A. 1. Non-vascular Dominated Bryoid Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.A. 2. Non-vascular Dominated Bryoid Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B. 1. Non-vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Tree Layer
VI.B. 2. Non-vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Shrub Layer
VI.B. 3. Non-vascular Dominated Lichen Vegetation with Dwarf Shrub Layer

VEGETATION MAP OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Montane forest
Dry evergreen forest
Woodland
Scrub
Savanna
Grassland

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL IKM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

Woody Savannas
Savannas
Permanent Wetlands
Developed Lands

CORINE LAND COVER

4.1.2 Peat Bogs

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.2.4 Airports
- 1.4.1 Green Urban Areas
- 2.3 Pastures
- 2.4.2 Complex Cultivation Patterns
- 2.4.4 Agro-forestry Areas
- 3.2.4 Transitional Woodland/Scrub
- 4.1.2 Peat Bogs

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 2.1 Cropland & Pastures
- 3.3 Mixed Rangeland
- 8.2 Herbaceous Tundra
- 8.4 Wet Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 23 Flooded Grass

4.2 Maritime Wetlands

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4.2 Maritime Wetlands

4.2.1 Salt Marshes

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4.2.1 Salt Marshes

4.2.2 Salines

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4.2.2 Salines

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 7.1 Dry Salt Flats

4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4.2.3 Inter-Tidal Flats

5 Water Bodies

UNESCO - INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION & MAPPING OF VEGETATION

- V.E Hydromorphic Fresh-Water Vegetation (Aquatic)

US FGDC VEGETATION CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

- F. Hydromorphic rooted vegetation

IGBP-DIS GLOBAL 1KM LAND COVER DATA SET 'DISCOVER'

- Permanent Wetlands

CORINE LAND COVER

- 1.2.3 Port Areas
- 2.1.3 Rice Fields
- 4.1 Inland Wetlands
- 5 Water Bodies

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 5.2 Lakes
- 5.3 Reservoirs
- 5.4 Bays & Estuaries
- 8.4 Wet Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 2 Paddy Fields
- 3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
- 14 Flooded Forest
- 16 Mangrove Forest
- 23 Flooded Grass

LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION ON REMOTE SENSING

- 170 Wetland
- 222 Inland Water

CORINE LAND COVER

5.1 Inland Wetlands

CORINE LAND COVER

- 2.1.3 Rice Fields
- 5.1 Inland Waters
- 5.2.2 Estuaries

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 8.4 Wet Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 2 Paddy Fields
- 3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
- 14 Flooded Forest
- 23 Flooded Grass

5.1.1 Water Courses

CORINE LAND COVER

- 5.1.1 Water Courses
- 5.2.2 Estuaries

5.1.2 Water Bodies

CORINE LAND COVER

- 2.1.3 Rice Fields
- 5.1.2 Water Bodies

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 8.4 Wet Tundra

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 2 Paddy Fields
- 3 Receding & Floating Rice Fields
- 14 Flooded Forest
- 23 Flooded Grass

5.2 Marine Waters

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4 Wetlands
- 5.2 Marine Waters

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 5.4 Bays & Estuaries

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 16 Mangrove Forest

**LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING**

- 172 Mangrove

5.2.1 Coastal Lagoons

CORINE LAND COVER

- 5.2.1 Coastal Lagoons

5.2.2 Estuaries

CORINE LAND COVER

- 5.2.2 Estuaries

5.2.3 Sea & Ocean

CORINE LAND COVER

- 4 Wetlands
- 5.2.2 Estuaries
- 5.2.3 Sea & Ocean

ANDERSON *ET AL.* (1976)

- 5.4 Bays & Estuaries

CAMBODIA LAND COVER ATLAS

- 16 Mangrove Forest

**LAND COVER WORKING GROUP OF THE ASIAN ASSOCIATION
ON REMOTE SENSING**

- 172 Mangrove

